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TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

EDWARD VII, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of SHA CHHABILDAS THAKORDAS BUXI, a Clerk in the Port Canning and Land Improving Co., Ltd., of Bombay, Visa Adalja Modh Bania, Hindu Inhabitant, deceased.

RANGILDAS THAKORDAS BUXI, a Clerk in the Audit Department, B. B. & C. I. Railway, Co's Office, and MUNCHHARAM SHIVLAL MODY., a Tobacconist, both of Bombay Modh Bania, Hindu Inhabitants, residing at No. 40 Cavel street without the Fort of Bombay, two of the Executors according to the terms of the said Will.....Petitioners.

ALL PERSONS claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Probate.

Witness SIR LAWRENCE H. JENKINS, K.C.I.E., Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this 25th day of February, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and five and in the fifth year of our Reign.

L. N. BANAJI,
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The Seal of the High Court of Bombay.

A. M. KAJIJI,
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Messrs. MOTILAL & Co.,
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FRANK RITCHIE,
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Bombay, 28th February, 1905.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, MARCH 1.

SECURITIES—
2 1-2 per cent. Consols ..... £91 3-16 = — 5-16
3 0/0 Rentes ..... £104 1-4 = unchanged
3 1-3 do, Indian Sterling Loan ..... £103 3-4 = unchanged
3 1-2 per cent, Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper ..... £66 5-8 = — 1-16

SILVER—
Spot in London ..... 27 11-16 = + 1-16
2 months hence ..... 27 5-16 = unchanged
Spot in New York ..... 60 = ,,

EXCHEQUERS—
Paris cheques ..... 25·21 = unchanged
Berlin ,, ... 20·49 3-4 = ,,
New York Demand ..... 4·86 1-2 = ,,

DISCOUNTS—
Bank of England ..... 3 per cent = unchanged
3 months' sight Bank Bills ..... 2 5-8 per cent = ,,
3 ,, ,, Fine Trade Bills ..... 2 1-4 per cent = — 1-8
6 ,, ,, ,, ,, ... 2 3-4 per cent = unchanged
6 months' sight Fine Trade Bills ..... 2 7 8 per cent = ,,

ATHENS—
Day to day loans ..... 2 7-8 per cent = unchanged
7 day market loans ..... 2 7-8 per cent = ,,
Amount paid into the Bank of England about £225,000.

SUGAR—
German granulated 1st marks 16 7-8 tone steady

RUBBER—
Para Rubber 5 4 1-2 sellers

WHEAT—
White Karachi 31 1-2 sellers } Tone steady
Red Karachi 30 1-4 sellers

RAPESEED—
Brown 36 buyers tone firm

LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 37 1-4 buyers tone firm

COFFEE—
Coffee in New York, 7 3-4 — 1-8

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed Moderate business. East Indian dull, Manchester firm. Total sales 10,000 bales. Spot "14 unchanged. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 7 unchanged. Sold on speculation and for Export, 1,000. Imports nil. Futures closed steady.

Mch.-Apl.	Apl.-May	
3·98 +6	4·00 +5	
May-June	**June-July**	**July-Aug.**
4·02 +6	4·03 +6	4·03 +5
Aug.-Sept.	**Sept.-Oct.**	**Oct.-Nov.**
4·04 +5	4·05 +5	4·06 +5

Nov-Dec, 4·07 new position

Receipts at U S Ports ..... 20,000 bales
Do. last year ..... 14,000 ,,
Exports to Great Britain ..... 11,000 ,,
Do. do Continent ..... 22,000 ,,

IN NEW YORK—
Spot ..... 7·75 + 15
Futures, month of March ..... 7·33 + 11 } new position
Do. do. July ..... 7·35 + 14
* Advanced owing to bull support and short coverings.

IN NEW ORLEANS—
Spot ..... 7 5-16 unchanged
Futures, month of June ..... 7·29 } new position
Do. do. Sept. ..... 7·24
Tone at close ..... quiet.

At the Periodical biddings for Council Bills for Rs. 90,00,000
Rs. 38,00,000 were allotted to Calcutta
Rs. 38,10,000 do Bombay
Rs. 12,20,000 do Madras
Rs. 88,30,000 At 1s. 4d.
Minimum rate received 17 per cent.
Telegraphic Transfers—
Rs. 1,70,000 were allotted to Calcutta,
Rs. nil do Bombay
Rs. nil do Madras
Rs. 1,70,000 At 1s. 4 1-16d.
Minimum rate received 17 per cent.
Total amount sold during the week Rs. 90,90,000
Amount to be allotted next week Rs. 90,00,000
Extra allotments bills on Calcutta Rs. 10,00,000 } at 1s 4 1-32d.
Madras Rs. 1,90,000 }

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, for the 24 hours ending at 6 p. m., on Wednesday, 1st March, 1905 :—

Cotton	9,668 bales.
Wheat	8,033 cwts.
Linseed	16,330 ,,
Rape, Red and Mustard	4,993 ,,
Gingellyseed	4,205 ,,
Poppyseed	nil ,,
Groundnuts	1,433 ,,
Castorseed	5,227 ,,
Rice	691 ,,
Myrabolams	2,890 ,,
Cottonseed	3,679 ,,
Mowraseed	230 ,,
Gram	205 ,,
Jowar	6,312 ,,
Maize	193 ,,

BOMBAY, MARCH 2.

Exchange—Tone quiet.
Bank T. T. 1s. 4 1-32d
Bank Demand 1s. 4 1-32d
Credit Bills 8 Months' Sight D. A. 1s. 4 7-32 to 8 16d
Do 6 do do 1s. 4 5-16 to 9 32d
French Francs 3 do do 170 3-4
Marks 3 do do 138 3-4
Hongkong 30 Days' Sight 136
Shanghai 30 do do 190 1-2
Japan 30 do do 148 1-2
GOVERNMENT PAPER—3 1-2 per cent. Tone steady.
Cash ..... 99'9
1st Settlement ..... 90'9
Money Market, Tone steady.
BANK RATE,—
Bank of England since 21st April 3 per cent.
Bank of Bombay do 16th February 7 do
Bank of Bengal do 23rd February 7 do
Bank of Madras do 2nd March 7 do

SEEDS—

Linseed,—Tone quiet,		Rs.	a. p.
Ready		6	7
Forward ... April-May		6	8
Rapeseed,—Tone same,			
Brown Cawnpore, Ready,		6	4
Do Forward April-May		6	6
Yellow Cawnpore, Ready		6	12
Do Forward April-May ...		6	12
Poppyseed,—Tone steady,			
Ready		7	0
Forward April-May ...		7	6
Castorseed—Tone, quiet,			
Ready		28	8
Forward April-May ...		30	0
GINGELLYSEED,—Tone, firm,			
Howree Khandeish	,,	44-0	
15 per cent Mixed	,,	43-8	
25 per cent. ,, ...	,,	42-0	
50 per cent	,,	41-0	
Black Kutnee	,,	35-0	
Yellow Hingenghat ...	,,	50-0	

WHEAT.—Tone steady.

White Delhi Ready ...	4 10	6 to	4 11
Do do Apl.-May.	4 11	0 to	4 12

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone.—Quiet but steady.
Estimated sales ..... bales 10,000
Imports ..... do. 28,000

Feb.-Mar	Mar.-April	April-May
3·99 +1	4·01 +1	4·03 +1
May-June	**June-July**	**July-Aug.**
4·01 +1	4·04 +3	4·05 +1
Aug.-Sept.	**Sep.-Oct.**	**Oct.-Nov.**
4·06 +1	4·07 +1	4·08 +1

COTTON.—The local market is steadier and prices have advanced about Rs. 2 per candy all round. There is a moderate business doing, and exports houses are reported to have bought for good Broach against previous sales. The "Sutta" market is firm and good Broach is quoted Rs. 202 at the close.

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited :—

Bengal (H.-G.)(Ry. terms) ...	169	159 ...	25	March
Bengals, M G Ry terms ...	174	164 ...	do	
Sind-Punjab M G. ...	174	164 ...	do	
Comrawatee (descpts) (M.-G.)	180	174 ...	do	
Khandeish do. ...	171	165	do	
Jalgaon do ...	173	167	do	
Khungaum fair staple (M-G) } Karanja do. do. do. }	181	175 ...	do	
Akola do. do. do }				
Oomra, good staple (M.G.) ...	189	183 ...	do	
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M-G	186	180 ...	do	
Nagpore and Kampti do	189	183 ...	do	
Broach (M.-G.) ,,	203	198 ...	1-25	March
Do. do ...	...	...202	15-25	March
Dharwar (S.-G) ...	...	... 193	25	May
Westerns	...	... 182	do	

COINAGE OF BRITISH INDIAN GOVT. COINS.

The following is the statement of Silver Operations at the Bombay Mint from 23rd Feb. to 28th Feb. :—In Lakhs of Standard Tolas.

RECEIPTS—		
Purchased silver		2
Withdrawn and unourrent coin from Treasuries, &c		11
Native States coin		...
Total		13
COINAGE—		
New Rupees delivered to Treasuries or Currency Department		16
New Rupees made over to Native States		...
Total		16
BALANCE OF BULLION AND COIN—		
New coin ready for delivery		5
Government Bullion		58
Currency Bullion		200
Withdrawn and unourrent coin		11
Total		244

COINAGE OF BRITISH DOLLARS.

Receipts of Bullion for Dollar Coinage ....
Dollars Coined and paid over ....
Closing Balance of Bullion ....

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, MARCH 1

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed :—Moderate busine s Surats ..... dull
Good Bhowanagger 3 23-32
The Manchester Market has been ..... dim
2 1-2 per cent Consols ..... 91 3-16 ex
3 per cent Rentes 100 1-4
3 1-2 per cent Sterling Loan 103 3-4
3 1-3 per cent Rupee Papers 66 5 8
Bar Silver 27 11-16

The sum of about £225,000 has been paid into the Bank of England.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m. yesterday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Deaths	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade ...	10	4	9
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	19	14	37
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	48	35	57
a D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahaluxmi	10	12	19
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagapada, Kamathpura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagapada	46	33	72
a F Parel, Sewree and Sion)...	8	7	13
G Mahim and Worli.....	8	3	13
Water Division.....	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown...	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	7	20
Total	149	115	246
Total plague deaths to date...	282,258	234,892	
Same date last year	152	131	206

SMALL-POX.

Attacks.	Deaths.
65	25

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATH and MEMORIAM Notices (which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender) is Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional lines CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

BOMBAY.

IN MEMORIAM.

DAVAR—In loving memory of dear Maneck, the beloved wife of Dr. F. E. Davar, who died on 3rd March 1903. Deeply mourned and sadly missed by her sorrowful husband and children.

"Although two years have passed away
Her loss we still bemoan,
Our hearts retain, in memory still
The love, which time can never kill."

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

QUINLAN—COOPER—February 21, At Lahore, Eveline May Cooper, daughter of the Rev. G. W. Tomkins, M. A., Quetta, to Captain Dominick J. Quinlan, A. V D., son of the late David Quinlan, Esq., South Lodge, County Tipperary, Ireland.

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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 18m. Sun sets, 6h. 6m. High water, 9-59m., 10-47a. Low water, 4-14m., 3-52a.
P. and O. s. s. Arabia, with English mails of 17th ultimo, due to arrive about 8-30 a. m.
Arrival of H. E. Lord Curzon, Victoria Terminus, 7-30 a. m. (B. T.)
Arrival of H. E. Lady Curzon, Apollo Bunder, 8-30 a. m.
Departure of Lord and Lady Curzon for Calcutta, Victoria Terminus, 5-15 p. m. (R. T.)
Bombay High Schools Athletic Association's annual Sports, Marine Lines Maidan.
Sale of Work, Mission House, Bellasis Road, 3 to 7 p. m.
Gaiety Theatre, Mdlle. Dagmar and Miss Sherar, Concert in aid of the "Time and Talents" Holiday Fund, Town Hall, 9-30 p. m.
Fitzgerald Brothers' Circus, Esplanade, 9-15 p.m.

MAHA-SHIVRATRI FAIR.—The annual Maha-Shivratri fair takes place on Saturday next at Chowpatty.

THE ANJUMANI ISLAM.—The adjourned special general meeting of the Anjumani Islam of Bombay will be held to-day, at 5-30 p.m., at the Anjuman Hall.

FALL OFF A TREE.—Goolam Hoosein, a Mahomedan, aged twenty-four, while standing on the branch of a tree plucking fruits in the compound of H. H. the Aga Khan's bungalow in Love Lane, Byculla, on Wednesday, his foot slipped and he fell to the ground from a height of ten feet, sustaining internal injuries.

ACCIDENT ON BOARD A STEAMER.—Jiva Kala, a Hindu labourer, aged twenty-five, while helping to lift off the hatches on board the steamship Lawada, on Wednesday evening, his foot accidentally slipped and he fell to the bottom of the hold. He received a fracture of his left hand and other injuries, for which he was treated at the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital.

THE HONORARY MAGISTRATES.—Up to date the following Honorary Presidency Magistrates have resigned :—Mr. Jandardhan D. Kolatkar, Mr. S. M. Moses, Mr. Hormasji Dadabhoy, Mr. Eomonji D. Petit and Mr. Bhalshanker Nanabhoy, Khan Bahadur Samuel Essaji has died and Mr. W. L. Harvey will shortly cease to act by reason of the transference of his services to the Government of India.

ANOTHER ENTERTAINMENT TO MR. AND MRS. GRAHAM.—At Mr. Hajee Esmail Goolmahomed's bungalow on the Clark Road, Jacob's Circle, last evening, another entertainment was given in honour of Mr. and Mrs. James N. Graham by Mr. Hajee Esmail Goolmahomed, Naginchand Javerchand, and other export merchants associated with the firm of Messrs W. and A. Graham and Co. The bungalow was well decorated and illuminated. A large number of export merchants of different nationalities were present at the entertainment, and Mr. Graham had the satisfaction of seeing his acquaintance with many of them. Every thing passed off without a hitch, and the entertainment proved a very successful one.

MUSIC AT THE ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB.—By kind permission of Lt.-Col. S. J. Sarjant and officers, the band of the 1st Bn. G. I. P. Ry. Vols. will play the following programme of music under the direction of Mr. A Mallandaine, Band Master, commencing at 5-45 p. m. to-day :—

Highland Patrol ... The Wee Macgregors	Amer
Overture	Auber
Selection ..... The Bells of New York	Kerr
Selection ..... Three Little Maids	Huben
Aria or Clarionet Solo, I Martiri	Donizetti
Intermezzo ..... Leibes raum	Blon

CARTMEN'S QUARRELS.—At the Mazagon Police Court, Bombay, yesterday, before Mr. P. H. Dastur, Second Presidency Magistrate, Sayedlal Sayed Abdulrehman, a cartman, was charged with causing hurt to another cartman Sambhu Sadashiv, on Wednesday. Accused asked the complainant to allow his cart to precede complainant's which the latter declined to concede. An altercation ensued on the road during which the accused dealt a blow on the head of the complainant, causing the injury. Accused was fined Rs. 40 out of which Rs. 15 were awarded to the complainant as compensation for the injury he had suffered.

DROWNED IN A QUARRY HOLE.—Barkia Vithoo, a Hindu lad, aged eleven, and three other boys, attending the Municipal School at Sion, obtained leave from their school-master on Tuesday afternoon, and went to wash their hands and feet at a quarry hole near the school. Barkia while seated on a boulder, washing his face, slipped and fell into the water. His companions instead of assisting him or raising an alarm got frightened and quietly returned to school and joined their class. The school-master thinking that Barkia had either played truant or gone home, did not make any inquiries. However when the lad did not return home in the evening, his parents searched for him and recovered his body from the quarry hole on the following day.

THE S. P. G. FANCY BAZAAR.—In aid of the funds of the schools in Bombay of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, a bazaar was held yesterday afternoon at the "Mission House" of the Society, Bellasis Road, under the supervision of the Rev. Canon Ledgard, the Secretary of the Society. The entrance and the hall, which formed the bazaar room, were beautifully decorated with Japanese hanging lanterns, artificial flowers and evergreens. Fancy articles in various textile fabrics and children's apparel were the principal exhibits and the stalls were tastefully arranged running round the hall. Amongst the articles were a number made by the school children. During the evening a brisk business was conducted, Mrs. Du Boulay, Mrs. McCausland, Mrs. White, Mrs. Gundry, Mrs. Turner and Miss Gostling were the stall-holders. The sale continues to-day.

STEALING A VICTORIA AND HORSE.—In the Mazagon Police Court, Bombay, yesterday, before Mr. P. H. Dastur, Second Presidency Magistrate, Amir Mahomed and Mahomed Adam were charged with stealing a victoria and horse, valued at Rs. 800, belonging to Vazir Mamonji, on Wednesday evening. Accused engaged the victoria and went in the direction of Ramatipura. They laid hold of an opportunity of the driver's being away to an Irani's tea-shop, and drove away with the victoria to the Kalbadevi Road, where they were stopped by a policeman, who made inquiries about the driver's badge and license. When these were not forthcoming, they were taken into custody, and charged. The defence was that the accused were drunk at the time, and they did not know what happened. The Magistrate said that the accuseds' object was not to steal ; but as they were technically guilty of committing the offence of theft, each of them was fined Rs. 7.

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE GIRGAUM ROAD WOMEN.—At the Mazagon Police Court, Bombay, yesterday, before Mr. J. W. S. Dracup, Fourth Presidency Magistrate, Superintendent W. R. Barnett charged Kasturbai Painganker, Veju and Saraswati Velkar, and Tarabai and Rangubai Karwarkar, with not complying with an order of the Commissioner of Police, requiring them to vacate the premises they occupied in Girgaum Road, promulgated under section 28 of Act IV of 1902, otherwise known as the Bombay Police Act. The Commissioner issued the notices on 18th September last, against 23 women residing in the road, ordering them to get out of the locality. All the women, with the exception of those mentioned above, had complied. Summonses were issued against the defaulters ; but, explained the Superintendent, as two of them still remained to be served, he would apply for an adjournment of the case against the others. The application was granted.

DEATH OF A NATIVE ASSAYER.—The native commercial community, writes a correspondent, lost a most prominent member last Monday in the death of Mr. Ganpatrao Chintoba Tatya Chhapwallay, which took place at his Dadar residence at the age of 65. For a large number of years he was in charge of the well-known business-house of Vithalwady called the "Chintoo's pedi" where large quantities of gold and silver ingots and ornaments are daily assayed. It was established by his grand-father in 1797. Mr. Ganpatrao always worked in a manner to sustain the reputation of the "pedi" and made it very popular. He was ably assisted by his two nephews and two sons. He was a trustee of the Mumbadevi Temple, a member of the Dalvadinya Fund and Manager of the Vageshwari Temple, Parel. He built a Dharamshalla at Bandora and a temple of god Ram at Bassein. His sudden death has cast a deep gloom on the entire Dalvadinya community of which he was one of the leading members, being closely connected with the family of the late Hon. Mr Juggonnath Shunkersbett. His funeral was largely attended. Representatives of other communities who could not attend the funeral sent a number of letters of condolence to his sons. The "Chintoo's pedi" was closed for three days and the native bazaar for one day in his memory.

THE GONDAL HEIR-APPARENT'S MARRIAGE.—On the occasion of the presentation of addresses by the Municipality and Library of Gondal, congratulating the heir-apparent on his marriage, Kumar Shri Bhojrajji replied as follows :—Messrs. President and members of the Gondal Municipality and Library,—It is with a sense of deep gratitude that I accept your kind congratulations on this happy occasion and your good wishes for the future which I welcome as a special mark of your kindly feeling towards myself. Any one who happens to pass through the town of Gondal cannot but fully appreciate the good work done by the Municipality and a brief inspection of the register of the library will suffice to show the increasing popularity of that institution. By a curious chance we have a most striking proof of the progress made by Gondal before us this day, you must all know that this town is now the proud possessor of a printing press and I need only ask you to compare the two addresses to realize the superiority of it over others of longer standing. The Municipality who patronized the local press have had theirs most carefully printed for them, whilst the Library who went elsewhere to have their's done have not been so successful. As you have already remarked the great and rapid advancement of the state is due to the ceaseless energy of its present ruler, my father and I think it our duty to support him in every way to the best of our ability. In conclusion, I thank you again most sincerely for your kind wishes.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

BOWLS COMPETITION.

BANKERS vs. THE WORLD.

THIS match which has excited so much interest was concluded on Tuesday evening, "The World" being the victors with the narrow majority of four points. The green, owing to the cold winds, was not in good condition, but some fine play was witnessed. Some of the games were so keenly contested, that only one point was scored in each head and it took close on two hours to finish. The following are the scores :—

THE WORLD.		BANKERS.	
S N Powell	18	J D Johnston	21
W Reid		R A Dare	
J Tyers	21	M Lindsay	12
W L Shaw		A Foreman	
P W Cresswell	21	D H Brandt	18
D Reid		J S Mackenzie	
A W Parker	21	J B Adam-on	18
H E Hart		J M Bannister	
P J Arnot	17	F H Greig	21
J Scott		R H M Steven	
F A H East	19	R Aitken	21
C J Mitchell		A Tosh	
R A Spence	16	J A Stewart	21
Dr Wallace		T Ferrar	
G W Gilchrist	21	A Legie	18
G W Watt		J Breen	
	154		150

INDIAN CROP PROSPECTS.

BURMA RICE.

The summary of the Burma rice-crop forecast for January 1905, states :—The total area under rice cultivation in the fifteen principal rice-producing districts of Lower Burma, is now reported at 6,770,767 acres, or an increase over the previous year of 9,042 acres and over last month's estimate of 25,195 acres, due in a large measure to revised figures for Thaton. The fallow area is 410,597 acres, and the area destroyed (by floods chiefly) 127,394 acres, which are respectively about 3,000 acres above and about 1,000 acres below the last estimates. Akyab shows a considerable increase in the fallow area, and Ma-ubin and Thaton a considerable increase and decrease respectively in the areas damaged by floods. The anna estimate has been slightly lowered in several districts, and the provincial figure stands at 94 per cent, of normal. Crops are reported to be threshing out somewhat light in Kawa and Payagale townships of Pegu. Reaping and threshing are completed in most centres and approach completion in the rest. Prospects continue favourable. The surplus available for export is estimated to be 2,285,000 tons of cargo rice, equivalent to 38,728,813 cwts. of cleaned rice.

In the Petit Palais, which rears its elegant facade immediately opposite that of the Grand Palais in the Champs Elysees, is a curious and interesting exhibition. It is a collection of amateurs' photographs representing some of the old quarters of Paris. It is part of a scheme of the municipality to prepare a pictorial history of the city which shall trace in development century by century. In this exhibition are picturesque corners of old Montmartre, of the quarter of La Bieve, and of the old gardens of Paris. In the midst of bustling "Haussmannism"—wide, straight avenues and street architecture that, in its deadly monotony, makes one long for the broken-line of less well-ordered cities—it is almost startling to visit the old-world streets of upper Montmartre, picturesque "bits" full of colour, full of the strange fascination that belongs to brick and stone relics of the past. There is a thatched cottage still existing in its primitive simplicity, old cabarets of singular appearance and even more singular history, and beautifully carved doorways that carry us straight back to the golden days of gallant romance and court intrigue. There is something a little regretful in the thought that these regions, soft-coloured with the hand of time, are presently to disappear. The Town Council is well advised in collecting these photographic documents—an example, is it not, for London ?

THE FRERE-FLETCHER SCHOOL.

ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

THE annual prize distribution to the successful girls attending the Frere-Fletcher School took place in the school premises last evening, when there was a very large attendance of ladies and gentlemen, and the ground-floor hall looked bright and gay with the smiling and cheerful faces of the prize winners and their fellow-students. The Venerable the Archdeacon of Bombay presided. The children went through a programme of songs and recitations, which afforded much amusement, and evoked much applause.

The Rev. H. Foote, the Secretary, read the report on the working of the school, which, taken as a whole, showed highly satisfactory results. The school was inspected by Miss Ashworth. There are at present 95 pupils on the rolls. The large hall, in which all the classes are taught together, is an excellent room, lofty, well ventilated and lighted, and surrounded by a broad verandah. The school room is well furnished, and suitable teaching apparatus is provided. The school attendance was 67 per cent. The teaching staff, as remarked by Miss Ashworth, is adequate and efficient, there being in all ten teachers. The general tone of the school, the Examiner further remarked, was excellent. The needle work was very good. During the last two years, three pupils were sent up for the Matriculation examination, and all had been successful. Taking the school as a whole, Miss Ashworth considered that it was doing excellent work. The reports of the Rev. H. Foote, who examined the Christian children in Scripture, of Mrs. Andrew, who inspected the needle work, and the drawings, made satisfactory reports. The number of scholars on the roll has since increased to 105, the largest number they have ever had. Their best thanks were due to Dr Peano, Mr. Deane, Miss. Barker, Miss Patuck, and another lady who had given prizes for the children. The entire results were creditable to the Lady Superintendent, Miss Franklin and her staff of teachers.

The Chairman, in addressing the meeting, said the report they had listened to was "a rattling good report," and did not require many observations from him. Miss Franklin, the Lady Superintendent, was the right person in the right place, able to put her finger on any defect and shortcoming and willing to redress it if she could possibly do so. The school room was lofty, well ventilated and lighted, and surrounded by a broad verandah. It was well furnished and suitable teaching apparatus was provided. The general tone of the school, as remarked by Miss Ashworth, was excellent ; and it was provided with the most perfect equipment in every respect. The teaching staff was most efficient ; and the teachers carried on their duties as a labour of love, and had won the affectionate regard of the pupils, especially Miss Franklin. There was a general spirit abroad in the school, which made the pupils ready to work in a way which their teachers required them to do. It was a thoroughly sound and good educational work, which the school turned out. That the tone of the school was excellent was one of the chief points on which they should congratulate Miss Franklin and her staff. The school, like many other institutions, suffered from want of space, and it was to be hoped the want would be supplied in the near future. With regard to the difficulty that Parsee girls felt, the Chairman suggested that English should be made the language of the girls at home. The Chairman hoped the school would continue to prosper, and that those who had benefited by its instruction would not cease to take an interest in its welfare ; and would help it on its useful work. The reports on needle-work and Christian instruction was also satisfactory. They should pass a hearty vote of thanks to Miss Jerbai Wadia, who had worked zealously for two years as a teacher, and had to sever her connection owing to home circumstances. There was no complaint about the finances, and the Chairman took it that they were in a fairly satisfactory condition. In conclusion, the Chairman said they might congratulate Miss Franklin on her conducting a thoroughly successful, happy, and prosperous school. (Applause.)

Miss Scott then distributed the prizes. On the motion of Mr. J. Wallace, votes of thanks to the Chairman and to Miss Scott were carried with acclamation ; and the proceedings terminated with the National Anthem.

BOMBAY CORPORATION.

BILL TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL ACT.

AN adjourned meeting of the Bombay Corporation was held in the Municipal Council Hall yesterday afternoon, Mr. James Macdonald presiding, for the purpose of further considering the Bill further to amend the Bombay Municipal Act of 1888.

Before further consideration of the Bill was proceeded with, Mr. M. N. Wadia, Municipal Secretary, read the following letter from Mr. C. H. A. Hill, C. I. E., Acting Secretary to Government addressed to the President of the Corporation : "Sir, adverting to my letter, No. 35, dated the 16th February, 1905, I am directed to state, for the information of the Corporation, that it has been decided by the Bombay Government to postpone the introduction into the local Legislative Council of the Bill further to amend the City of Bombay Municipal Act 1888. I am to add that Government hope to be able to introduce the Bill with certain alterations in time for it to be proceeded with next June."

The Hon. Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtoola said, having regard to the fact that the reason why the Corporation had adopted a special procedure to proceed with the consideration of the draft Bill, no longer existed, it would be desirable, in his opinion, to refer the entire Bill for consideration to a small Committee in order that each section might be carefully considered and that any addition or alteration they might make, might be submitted to the Corporation. The Corporation had, by the certain amount of discussion which had taken place, indicated where they wanted alterations to be made. At the same time he thought that they ought to ask Government to give timely intimation of any alterations that they proposed in the proposed Bill in order that the Corporation might not be deprived of expressing an opinion on the sections if they chose to do so. He then moved that the letter from the Secretary to Government, Legislative Department, dated the 1st March 1905, intimating the decision of Government to postpone the introduction into the local Legislative Council of the Bill further to amend the City of Bombay Municipal Act 1 88, be recorded ; that Government be requested to favour the Corporation as early as possible with a copy, of any alterations they propose making in the draft Bill in order that the Corporation may consider the same ; and that sections of the Bill remaining to be considered and the other sections of which consideration has been postponed, be referred for consideration (in consultation with the Commissioner) and for report to a Committee with a request that they should present their report before the May meeting of the Corporation.

Mr. Joseph Baptista seconded the resolution.

The Municipal Commissioner said that in regard to the second part of the proposition, he had been informed by the Hon'ble Member in charge of the Bill, that the modifications referred to the granting of death certificates and that it was proposed to maintain that system as it at present existed.

The resolution on being put to the vote was carried.

The Corporation then adjourned.

BOMBAY SANITARY ASSOCIATION.

UNDER the auspices of the Bombay Sanitary Association a lecture was delivered in Marathi by Dr. K. N Gokhale at the Victoria Bunder, Colaba, on Sunday, to an audience consisting chiefly of mill and coolie women invited by Khan Saheb M. Faridduddin. Among those present were Shamsul-ul-ma J. J. Modi, Dr J. A. Turner Health Officer ; Mrs. Ranade, Rao Bahadur Narayen T. Vaidya, Khan Saheb M. Farliduddin, Mr. Harischundra V. Rajwadkar, Mr. P. David, Mr. Merwanji D. Colabawala, Mr. Gopal Patel, Mr. Yeswant N. Nangaokar and many others. There were about 500 to 600 women from the locality and the neighbouring mills. Shamsul-ul-ma J. J. Modi occupied the chair. He dwelt at some length on the advantages of personal hygiene and begged the audience to get themselves inoculated with the anti-plague vaccine. Dr. Gokhale, in the course of his speech, urged the necessity of cleanliness and the isolation of the persons suffering from infectious diseases. He also urged the advantages of revaccination as a preventive of small-pox. Rao Bahadur Vaidya said that the principles of Hindu religion were all based on sanitary principles and the advice of Dr. Gokhale was not new but was all given in Hindu Shastras. For instance the Hindu Shastras require all the clothes on the body of a person suffering from small-pox to be destroyed which means that the disease being contagious, those clothes should not be used. He also mentioned that the Hindu religion says that when one goes near a person suffering from contagious disease, the hands and feet must be washed with hot water. On the principle that by washing with hot water the germs are killed, Mrs. Ranade, school mistress, informed the audience that the prosperity of the city depends on the healthy condition of the poorer classes and it is for this reason that the Municipality gives so much attention to the care of the poor and as such it is the duty of the poor to take advantage of the facilities offered to them.

GOVERNMENT AND THE PRESS.

The Government of Bombay have issued the following Press Note :—In Government of India, Home Department (Public), Resolution Nos. 2345—2360, which has been published in the "Gazette of India," for general information, the Government of India have introduced experimentally measures for affording to the Press in India greater facilities than exist at present for obtaining authentic information regarding matters of public interest. The Government of Bombay have informed the Government of India which of the newspapers published in this Presidency are in the opinion of the Government entitled, in view of their influence and circulation, to be furnished with official correspondence and reports, and the copies of papers which will be supplied by the Government of India in accordance with paragraph 4 of their Resolution will be distributed to the newspapers referred to. Additions to the list of newspapers which has been furnished to the Government of India will, if necessary, be made by this Government from time to time.

Such communications between this Government and the Government of India as the latter Government desire to have published will be made available to the Press in accordance with the scheme adopted by the Supreme Government ; and no action is called for on the part of this Government in respect of such communications, unless with the permission of the Government of India, it is in any case deemed desirable to secure earlier publication of communications addressed to the Government of India. Departmental Administration Reports, however, will be communicated to the Press by this Government as soon as they are issued or after they have been reviewed by this Government.

The existing arrangements by which Press communiques are issued by the Government to the newspapers that are held entitled to receive them and to the Editors' Tables at Poona, Belgaum, Dharwar and Karachi, will be continued as hitherto, with the modification that the Secretary to Government in each Department will be charged with the duty of selecting papers for communication to the Press, with reference to the nature of the subject and the degree of interest attaching to it. Subject to the limitations indicated in the foregoing paragraph, the selection may extend to correspondence in progress and questions underdiscussion.

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LADY CURZON'S RETURN.

THE return of Lady Curzon to India will give satisfaction to all classes of the community. Were it not that Yankee vulgarity invariably refers to her ladyship as the Vicereine and holds to the belief that the man who had married Miss Leiter could not help doing something big, Lady Curzon would be the most popular viceregal consort ever known in India. It is doubtless gallant, but not quite accurate to say that "Lord Curzon's success in life is attributable to the influence of his better half." With the modesty and gallantry, which are such marked traits in his character, his Excellency will, doubtless, say so, in reply to any address, which may be presented congratulating Lady Curzon on her restoration to health and her return to this country, after almost a year's absence. Many a great and good man would lose all ambition with the loss of his wife, and even those it would not affect so acutely would hesitate to admit it. But Lady Curzon's illness did seriously affect her husband and had it been prolonged he would have delayed his return to this country, if he had not even abandoned the idea altogether. An American correspondent, the other day, declared that when Miss Leiter was introduced to English society "she was soon popular in the most exclusive circles of Belgravia where her beauty and her amiability won her more than dollars could." She enjoys a greater popularity in this country than dollars can buy, and while English people admire and respect her, the natives, in the words of their poet, pronounce her "a rose of roses bright, a vision of embodied light," before whom all the goddesses of the Indian Pantheon must hide their diminished heads; "a diamond set in gold or a full moon in a clear autumnal sky." The poet meant to be complimentary, but perhaps he had never seen her ladyship. There is nothing about her to suggest either a full moon or an autumnal sky. Nevertheless she is popular among the masses of this country, and if she is not accorded as demonstrative a welcome as might be desired this morning, it is not because the people are not willing, but that they are afraid to gather together in large numbers during the prevalence of at least three epidemics.

SMALL-POX AND VACCINATION.

SMALL-POX is always with us in India, just as measles and cholera and a score of other complaints whose very names create alarm in the West. But now and again the disease assumes epidemic form and India itself grows nervous. The present small-pox epidemic is not the only one we have had in recent years, but this is true, that it is more virulent than most of its recent predecessors. Adequate and timely steps have been taken to deal with it. But it will run its course and no immediate effect may be shown as the result of preventive measures. Vaccination receives consistent attention in every part of the country, and a reference to the latest report of the Sanitary Commissioner with the Government of India shows the extent to which Health Officers carry out their instructions. In the last official year, 1903-04, the aggregate number of vaccination operations, shown to have been performed in India, was 8,457,298. In every Province, except Bengal, Assam, Madras and Coorg, there was an increase, which in most cases was limited to primary operations. These numbered 7,916,262. In Assam, where there was much less small-pox than in the preceding year, vaccination was impeded in Lakhimpur by the presence of measles, and there was a falling off in the work done on tea-gardens in Cachar. In Madras, the falling-off is explained by the decreased prevalence of small-pox, by insufficient and irregular supplies of lymph in certain places, and by the absence of vaccinators. In Coorg, although small-pox was more prevalent than in the preceding year, some of the vaccination staff were employed on duties in connection with plague. Still greater numbers of persons, the country through, were operated upon and public sentiment is year by year more favourable to vaccination. Re-vaccination was not so commonly resorted to last year as is usual. The falling off in the United Provinces was but slight, but in the Punjab it was considerable and in the Frontier Province very great. In the Punjab, as we know, there was a great extension of the prevalence of plague, and it is stated that there has been a lack of system in the proceedings of vaccinators, while a rule was introduced to prevent the repeated vaccinations of children for the purpose of swelling the returns. In the Frontier Province, the falling off is attributed largely to ill-health among the people, and among the vaccinators. It is satisfactory to note that the mean proportion of the population successfully vaccinated rose from 33·14 per mille in 1902-03 to 33·32 last year, ranging from 48·67 in Coorg to 24·63 in Bombay. We find that the mean percentage of success in primary operations fell from 95·10 to 95·05, the mean percentage of success in re-vaccinations falling fractionally from 68·20 to 68·19.

In the last report of the Sanitary Commissioner, he made mention of the researches into the preservation of animal lymph by means of the admixture of glycerine, and of vaseline, which had been carried out by Captain Harvey, I. M. S. Those researches, we find have been extended, and at the suggestion of Lieut.-Col. Bamber, Sanitary Commissioner of the Punjab, experiments have been made on the use of chloroform as a purifier after the method described by Dr. Green. Those experiments are reported to have been most successful. It was found that the passage of the vapour of chloroform through lymph pulp suspended in sterile water, with or without the addition of glycerine, killed all except spore-bearing and very resistant bacteria and that from three to six hours' treatment with chloroform vapour was practically equal in purifying effect to treatment by means of glycerine for a month. It appears, however, that the purification effected by chloroform is similar in kind and degree to the purification effected by glycerine, the difference being in speed, and the advantage of the use of chloroform depends upon this. If lymph is preserved in glycerine and kept at a low temperature, deterioration of the vaccine virus is very slow, but the extraneous organisms and the lymph can be kept in glycerine, at a low temperature, for a long time without losing its protective power. If the lymph is to be kept, the addition of a preservative after the treatment with chloroform is necessary, otherwise those bacteria, which have not been killed by the chloroform, will multiply. Glycerine seems to be the best preservative, because, although it may not kill the organisms that chloroform has failed to kill, it prevents their multiplying. Among the results of these investigations the following are enumerated :—that there is but little difference between lymph that has been glycerinated before, and that which has been glycerinated after being chloroformed, that after chloroforming, practically no further purification is effected by glycerine, when lymph is kept at a low temperature, that lymph which is glycerinated only and kept at a low temperature, will become purified but slowly, that lymph which has been chloroformed only and had no preservative added will show a great and rapid increase of micro-organisms at the end of a month, even though kept at a low temperature. Captain Harvey's further experiments show that glycerinated lymph is in all respects superior to vaselinated lymph.

So far as regards Bombay, it is shown that last year, there was occasion to complain of the misbehaviour of some of the operators, but satisfactory results were obtained. In the Presidency Circle, practically only bovine lymph was used—fresh lymph apparently in in most cases. In all registration districts except Guzarat, a proportion of the vaccination was performed with bovine lymph, but in the Presidency generally, human lymph continued to be used in the vast majority of cases. A scheme for the establishment of a Central Department at Belgaum for the manufacture of preserved lymph for the whole Presidency is under consideration. During the last year, in the Bombay Presidency 2,732 deaths occurred from small-pox, and of these 1,460 occurred in the City of Bombay, the death rate from small-pox per mille of population fell from ·52 in 1902 to ·41 in 1903, the total being 93,693. But so far as Bombay is concerned, the numbers will show a great increase for the current year. It seems that the practice of inoculation is still carried on in some districts, and it is said that many of the inhabitants of the Nowgong district not only believe in the protective efficacy of vaccination, but suspect it of producing small-pox. The prevalence of small-pox varies greatly in different parts of the country from year to year, but all seems equally liable, but it is remarkable that in all cases, the best vaccinated districts have the smallest death rates. In the Madras Presidency, last year 15,015 persons died from small-pox, a considerable decrease as compared with the previous year. A scheme for the reorganisation of the Vaccination Department and for compulsory vaccination in rural tracts has been submitted to the Local Government, and has by this time probably been approved and adopted. Small-pox prevails in both European and native armies. Among the former, it broke out in eighteen stations, and the sources of infection are reported in each case to have been in and around cantonments. Native soldiers last year proved less liable to attack than Europeans contrary to previous experience. The records are incomplete as regards the discussion of the sources of infection and the previous vaccination of the men attacked, but so far as information is available, these all bore satisfactory marks of the prophylactic, or rarely of a previous attack of the disease.

BOMBAY LEGISLATIVE BILLS.

WHEN the Court of Wards Bill was introduced at the Poona Session of the Legislative Council in September, the small amount of criticism offered against its provisions indicated that its necessity was generally recognised. The most serious objections raised related to its scope and the interpretation of terms, and these seem now to have been fairly well met by the amendments proposed by the Select Committee. The primary aim of the Bill is to preserve by Government management ancestral estates which are in danger of ruin by the incapacity or mismanagement of the owners. The Bill is by no means an arbitrary measure. Except in the case of minors and lunatics, it is essentially permissive and can only be applied either on the landholders' application or because it is desirable on grounds stated that the Court of Wards should take over the management of the estates. The Select Committee's amendments have narrowed the scope of the measure by defining the term "landholder" and by providing that whether on disqualification or the application of the holder, the Court of Wards shall only assume superintendence when it is expedient to preserve the property for the benefit of the family, and it is of sufficient value to permit of economical management. Moreover, in the case of co-sharers desiring the management of an estate to be taken over, instead of an application from a bare majority or the managing co-sharer sufficing, as in the original draft, it is now provided that the applicants must hold at least seventy-five per cent of the estate and the interests of dissentient shareholders are carefully safeguarded. The provision regarding women has been recast to make it clear that sex alone is not a disqualification. The original Bill proposed to prohibit a Government ward from transferring or creating any charge on, or interest in, his property, and restricted his power of entering into contracts for future settlement on the security of his estate. This has now been modified to read "except with the approval of the Court of Wards." Restrictions in regard to wills made by Government wards have also been modified. On the first reading of the Bill the provision which aroused the strongest opposition was a clause which prohibits a person, once disqualified, from creating, after superintendence has been withdrawn, any charge on the property for a period beyond the term of his natural life, except with the sanction of the Collector. The Special Committee have decided to retain this provision. The measure is largely designed to be disciplinary and if, after Government had taken the trouble to reorganise the affairs of an ancestral estate, the holders were permitted to seriously embarrass it, the whole value of the proposed legislation would be destroyed. This provision is one of the most important in the Bill, and if it were deleted it would seem that the Bill might as well be dropped. Hanging to some extent on the Court of Ward's Bill is the proposed amendment of the Gujarat Talukdars' Act, and both measures may be regarded as supplementary to the recent agrarian legislation for the benefit of the cultivating classes. The series of measures beginning with the amendment of the Land Revenue Code have been designed to improve the conditions of the agriculturists, and the two Bills now under discussion aim at benefitting classes of superior holders who, for various reasons, are in need of assistance. While the ryots need to be assisted to obtain the best results to themselves from their toil, the other class of persons have to be protected against themselves. Some of the Gujarat Talukdars consider that in this matter the benevolent intentions of Government are too embarrassing, and both by petition and through the Hon. Mr. Parekh they have expressed their opposition to the measure. But Government have already had occasion to legislate for the Talukdars, and the present Bill seems undoubtedly to be necessary.

THE Viceroy's spring tour has not yet been definitely fixed, but it will probably be a comparatively short one.

SIRDAR INAYAT ULLAH KHAN is reported to have reached Kabul last week.

THE ballot at the Bombay Chamber of Commerce yesterday for two elective Trustees of the Port of Bombay resulted in the re-election of Mr. H. E. E. Proctor, of the firm of Messrs. Killick Nixon and Co., and Mr. Frank Ritchie, Superintendent, P. and O. S. N. Company.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending February 28th was 1,726, giving a death-rate of 115·65 per annum per thousand as against 95·15 the corresponding period of last year, and 137·21 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 68 died from fevers; 769 plague; 148, small-pox; 33, measles; 0, cholera; 3, leprosy; 60, phthisis; 53, diseases of the nervous system; 250 affections of the respiratory organs; 51, diarrhœa; 29, dysentery; 45, still-born; 134, old age and debility; 6, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows :—Jain, 86; Brahmin, 53; Lingaet, 13; Bhattia, 12; Hindu of other caste, 921; Hindu low caste, 232; Musalman, 300; Parsee, 37; Jew, 6; Native Christian, 59; Eurasian, 2; European, 4; Negro-African, 1; Buddhist, 0; other and unknown castes, 0. The total number of births was 383 as against 323, the corresponding period of last year, and 251 the average over the past five years.

A HYDERABAD correspondent states that a Dinner by public subscription was held on the 24th ult., at Sett Papamal Chunilal's Bungalow, Chadarghaut, in commemoration of the capture of Port Arthur. At the close of it under the presidency of Hakim Hameed Husam of Afzulgunj, the following Resolution was unanimously passed :—"That the following telegram in behalf of this assembly of Indian Mahomedans, Christians and Hindus resident in Hyderabad, Deccan, be sent to the Japanese Consul at Bombay with a request that he will kindly forward it to his Imperial Majesty the Mikado :—We crave permission to offer his Imperial Majesty the Mikado through you our sincere congratulations on the capture of Port Arthur which is universally admitted to be the grandest feat of arms in modern times. We rejoice at Japan's success first and foremost as subjects of the British Government whose friendship and alliance are so highly valued in Japan and secondly on account of the historic connection between Japan and India for over 2,000 years. We are also grateful for the cordial treatment accorded to Indians students, and others, throughout the Japanese Empire. We pray for the continued success of Japanese arms.

H. R. H. THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT is most anxious that his soldier son should be a soldier in something more than in name. Prince Arthur has already had a good training as a Cavalry subaltern, says the "World." He has lately been acquiring a knowledge of field gunnery as an attached officer with a Battery of Royal Horse Artillery at Aldershot and St. John's Wood. His Royal Highness is next to go through a course of signalling, a branch of professional training which becomes of more importance every day in view of the development of science as applied to the battlefield.

THE third Baltic Squadron mentioned by Reuter a day or two ago, as passing Dover is under the command of Admiral Miebogotoff, and apparently consists of the battleship Imperator Nikolai I, the cruisers Admiral Ushakoff, Admiral Seniavine, General Admiral Apraxine, the Vladimir Monomach and three transports. Of these the battleship was built in 1888 and modernised in 1900; she is under 10,000 tons and has obsolete armour and a weak armament. The three Admirals are coast defence ships of small speed, very limited coal capacity, and about 4,200 tons displacement. The Vladimir Monomach is an obsolete cruiser of 6,061 tons which in its trials 29 years ago achieved the remarkable speed of 15·1 knots. What she can do now is known only to the Russian Admiralty. If they ever reach him this collection of lame ducks will hardly add to the fighting capacity of Admiral Rozhdestvensky's fleet, but they are bound to hamper and delay his movements.

THERE was a case before Mr. Justice Swinfen Eady in which some remarkable statements were made as to the effect of brain exercise on the duration of life. The action was brought by Mr. A. Tomkins, a Buckingham corn merchant, who, after a trap accident, developed softening of the brain. He was attended by a Dr. Death, and the defendant's name was Tombs. A Dr. Luke stated in cross-examination, that softening of the brain was a very common occurrence in the country, one-third of the labourers in rural districts dying from it. The cause of the disease was the lack of brain exercise. The intellect of a rural labourer, said witness, rusted rather than wore out, and when he attained the age of sixty-five or seventy, he usually went off in an apoplectic fit, or something of that kind. Witness referred, in support of his theory to the case of Judges and others, whose thinking capacity was continuously employed and who, he said, invariably lived to a far greater age than the average rural labourer.

LORD CURZON'S ETON SCHOOLDAYS.

[BY AN OLD SCHOOL FELLOW.]

THE second of a series of articles in the "Anglo-American Gazette," of Nice dealing with the Eton schooldays of certain celebrities has Lord Curzon for its subject. The articles are contributed by an old schoolfellow of the men described and he thus writes of H. E. the Viceroy of India :—

More than a third of the allotted span of human life has passed over our heads since George Curzon, and I were school chums at Eton. Still I have only to close my eyes in order to draw from one of the pigeon holes of my memory a vivid picture of the subject of this sketch as he was in those happy days of boyhood, never alas, to return again. In my mind's eye I can see my room at Eton with its simple, comfortable furniture consising of a fold-up bed, a few Windsor chairs, a deal table, washing stand, and the regulation bureau. The walls are hung with pictures of doubtful artistic merit, but dear to me on account of old associations; for they are nearly all presents from friends who have already left the dear old school. Sitting on the table idly swinging his legs with his hat well on the back of his head, I can still fancy I see George Curzon aetat 14, the subject of this sketch. He did not then resemble the rather austere looking young man of the photograph I had taken five years later, when he was just leaving for Oxford, and had discarded the youthful Eton jacket and turn down collars for the coveted "toga virilis."

At the period of which I am writing he was the brightest, cheeriest little being imaginable, round of face with pink and white complexion, big, serious eyes, an exceptionally determined mouth, and a high square forehead. At Eton we were all more or less particular in our dress, and especially in our linen, but Curzon, even as a little boy, was always noticeably tidy. In fact I think I can safely say that in all the years I knew him I never once saw his hair dishevelled nor his collar or cuffs in the least degree soiled. With his books he was equally careful, but then he loved them, whereas many of us looked upon them as our natural enemies. As an athlete George Curzon was never a shining light though he was in no way a despiser of games, and at football he was quite up to, if not above, the average, and played in his house football team. He held in the greatest abhorrence, however, as a new boy, the idea of compulsory football, and his tirades against the old school custom of compelling lower boys to play in house games were considered so entertaining that we regularly "drew" him on the subject whenever we got a chance.

He was a most excellent and critical judge of cricket but he never took games seriously. His pleasure was work, although no one ever accused him of being a "sap,"—and adding to his store of knowledge was to him a genuine pleasure and delight. Whereas Alfred Lyttelton, the subject of my last sketch, was the hero of every boy in the school, George Curzon was the ideal pupil from the master's standpoint. He was not content to learn his lessons sufficiently well to escape reprimand; he entered into the spirit of his tasks in all their bearings and took pride and pleasure in mastering all that was difficult and obscure in translations and derivations.

It must be clearly understood that in writing of the character of Curzon and I knew him, I am endeavouring to obliterate entirely from my mind everything as to his after life, and also to forget that he ultimately became celebrated. I am simply describing the Eton boy before he was launched in the world, nearly twenty-five years before he became, as Viceroy of India, the ruler of countless millions. A man would have to be something more than human if in endeavouring to accomplish the gigantic task, he has voluntarily set himself in India, he at the same time made no enemies; but of one thing I am certain, and that is that he is convinced, either rightly or wrongly, that the reforms he is carrying out are for the ultimate good of the people over whom he has been placed, and it will be for future historians to decide whether or not he was mistaken.

One of the most extraordinary gifts that George Curzon possessed as a boy was that of repartee. I have often sat in my room convulsed with laughter at the discomfiture of some rival wit, and I remember on one occasion a big fellow, who could have easily administered a licking to three boys of Curzon's size, bolting from my room and slamming the door so as not to hear the scathing retort which he knew was coming. In "Pop" (which was the Eton debating society) George was in his element, and I hope one day to be able to reproduce a few of the speeches which he made before he left. Unless I am much mistaken many of them would compare favourably from an oratorical point of view, with the majority of speeches delivered in the House of Commons to-day.

Curzon was always a great lover of the picturesque and the magnificent Durbar, in which he was recently the central figure, must have been to him a sheer delight. He loved the insignia of power and was to the backbone an ideal conservative.

As an instance of what I mean I well remember his wrath when I said that I considered the custom of sixth form walking into "chapel" alone, absurd. To the uninitiated I must explain that when all the rest of the school is seated the chapel bells stop and the voluntary commences. Then, from under the archway beneath the organ loft, the sixth form boys, of whom there are only twenty, ten Collegers and ten oppidans, walk very slowly two and two up the aisle. The collegers turn to the left and the oppidans to the right and take their seats below the choir. It used to be a source of great amusement to us to watch our sixth form friends walk into chapel on account of the strain it entailed on their nerves. Some would blush frantically and hang their heads as if they had something to be ashamed of, others would tread on the heels of those in front in their anxiety to get quickly to their places and nearly all appeared painfully self-conscious and unhappy. There was always special interest taken by us all in the demeanour of a boy new to the honours of sixth form, especially as the new comer had to lead the procession and regulate the pace. I once saw a boy bolt like a hare when the bells stopped and the organ began, and when he got to his place he was in a bath of perspiration. But when George Curzon made his debut he seemed positively to revel in the situation, and to watch his quiet, dignified, and sedate bearing he might have been the least interested person present, instead of being, as he was, the criticised object on which a thousand pairs of eyes were focussed.

What strikes me as being particularly strange in looking back on my Eton school days with George Curzon is that all his friends took it as a matter, of course, that he was destined to distinguish himself in after life, and one of the last things I said to him on leaving Eton was "George will you swear to make me Chancellor of the Exchequer when you are Prime Minister?" and what is more he promised he would. I have already reminded him of this old standing pledge and shall do so again when he forms his first cabinet. It may save him a lot of worry.

In spite of his undoubted mental superiority over the majority of us, there was nothing priggish about Curzon when he was a boy. On the contrary he was always ready and anxious to give one a helping hand and many is the time he has come and put some latin verses right for me or run over a difficult translation which I had been too lazy to look at till just before going into school.

It is probably not generally known that he began journalism when he was seventeen. It was the sort of work which appealed to him in his spare time, and the Eton Chronicle flourished exceedingly when he was Editor. It is not a journal of world wide reputation nor has it the "largest circulation in the world" but it can count among its past Editors and contributors some of the most distinguished British statesmen and literary men of all time. Curzon wrote some excellent articles, both serious and light, whilst he was Editor and I have tried to get some back numbers of the school paper in order that I might reproduce certain extracts. Owing, however, to the boys having only just returned from the Christmas holidays, I have been unsuccessful up to the present. I hope, however, before my sketch of Bishop Welldon appears to have received the old issues and I shall then quote from them.

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FIGHTING ON THE SHAHO.

AN INDECISIVE CONFLICT.

THE NEW JAPANESE LOAN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, MARCH 1.

Russian and Japanese telegrams report sharp fighting in the vicinity of the Shaho railway bridge in which both sides claim the advantage.

At a meeting of bankers and financiers held at Tokio, it was announced that the domestic loan would be doubly subscribed.

Baron Okuma, addressing the meeting, said he anticipated little disturbance in the finances of the country through the war, despite the enormous expenditure.

POLAND'S INSURRECTION.

Martial Law Proclaimed.

Martial law has been proclaimed throughout Poland.

The train service is improving generally.

THE ARAB REVOLT.

Turkish Troops Defeated.

FIVE DAYS' FIGHTING.

The insurgents have defeated the Turkish troops at Yemen.

A fierce fight has been going on round Saana for five days, but the result is not known yet.

LORD MILNER'S RESIGNATION.

His Successor Appointed.

LONDON, MARCH 1.

Lord Selborne has been appointed to succeed Lord Milner, who leaves South Africa at the end of March.

William Waldegrave Palmer, 2nd Earl of Selborne, P. C, J, K., has been First Lord of the Admiralty since 1900 and an Elder Brother of Trinity House since 1904. He is the son of the first Earl, who was a very eminent lawyer and was Lord Chancellor. The present Earl was born on the 17th October, 1856, and succeeded his father in 1895. In 1889 he married Lady Beatrix Maud Cecil, daughter of the 3rd Marquis of Salisbury. Lord Selborne was educated at Winchester and University College, Oxford, where he graduated B.A., taking a 1st class in History. From 1882 to 1885 he was Assistant Private Secretary to the Secretary of State for War and the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Rt. Hon. H. C.E. Childers. From 1885 to 1886 he was Liberal M. P. for East Hampshire and from 1886 to 1892 he sat for the same division as a Liberal Unionist. From 1892 to 1895 he represented West Edinburgh in the House of Commons. From 1895 to 1900 he was Under Secretary for the Colonies.

SIR CHARLES RIVAZ GOES ON LEAVE.

SIR DENZIL IBBETSON TO ACT AS LIEUT.-GOVERNOR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 1.

His Honour Sir Charles Rivaz has been granted six months' leave on medical certificate from April next. The Hon'ble Sir Denzil Ibbetson has been appointed to act as Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab and the Hon'ble Sir Lewis Tupper, Financial Commissioner, Punjab, to officiate in his place as Member of Council of the Governor-General.

THE TEA DUTY.

DEPUTATION TO MR. CHAMBERLAIN.

The following special telegram from London appears in the "Englishman":—

The tea buyers' deputation waited upon the Chancellor of the Exchequer to-day. In reply to their representations, Mr. Chamberlain admitted the duty was a high "ad valorem" tax, and that at the existing level it was open to a certain amount of objection. Regarding the preference asked for by the Indian Tea Association, the deputation, when it waited upon Mr. Brodrick, was told that that was out of the question at present, added the Chancellor, owing to the pledges which the Government had thought proper to give limiting action with regard to fiscal changes in the present Parliament.

A "Statesman" special telegram, from London, reports the average prices of tea sold on garden account this week as 6 3/4 pence for Indian and 7 3/4 pence for Assam tea.

PLAGUE IN INDIA.

The improvement, which took place in February in connection with plague, was only temporary. Returns for the past week show that the number of deaths in India has again gone up by 5,000, the principal increases being in the United Provinces, Hyderabad, Bengal and Bombay city. The total deaths during the week numbered were 29,465 of which the United Provinces had 12,213, the Punjab 6,940, Bengal 4 914, Bombay Presidency 2,400, Bombay City 735 and Hyderabad 602. Elsewhere little change has occurred.

P. W. D. POSTINGS.

Mr. Bean, District Traffic Superintendent, North Western Railway, officiates as Deputy Traffic Superintendent on that line.

Mr. C. A. White, Executive Engineer, officiates as Superintending Engineer and Sanitary Engineer, Bengal, vice Mr. Srik on leave.

Mr. E. Gabbett, Executive Engineer, Burma, officiates as Superintending Engineer, vice Mr. Rollo on privilege leave.

For immediate delivery 10 H. P. two Cylinder Clement Cars Rs. 5,400.—Sole Agent; for India E. J. Lee, 28, Esplanade Road Bombay.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

RUSSIA'S REFORM MOVEMENT.

Workers' and the Labour Commission.

FREEDOM BEFORE INDUSTRIAL REFORM.

LONDON, MARCH 2.

The workmen at St. Petersburg yesterday chose 200 electors whose duty will be to appoint representatives on the Commission mentioned on the 20th ult.

A meeting of the electors, which is the first meeting of workmen permitted in St. Petersburg, refused to carry out their task unless the three thousand workmen arrested since 22nd January last are immediately released and other demands including the inviolability of person and domicile and freedom of speech and of the Press are granted.

The telegram of the 20th ult. referred to above stated:—

The Commission appointed at St. Petersburg to examine the grievances of the workmen has issued a most elaborate scheme whereby the employers and the workmen elect delegates on the Commission.

REPLY TO THE KING'S SPEECH.

The Address Adopted.

The House of Commons last night adopted the Address in reply to the King's speech by 235 against 175, after rejecting by 250 against 201 an amendment brought forward by Mr. Buchanan demanding a reduction in the national expenditure.

THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

REDISTRIBUTION OF DEPARTMENTS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, MARCH 2.

The following shows approximately how the higher officials at the head-quarters of the Government of India are located under the new redistribution scheme.

Department of Industries and Commerce:—Mr. Hewett, as Member, Mr. Harvey, Secretary, Mr. Campbell, Under Secretary, Mr. Noel Paton, Director General of Commercial Intelligence.

Railway Board:—Messrs. Upcott, Wynne and Wood as members; Mr. Priestley, Secretary, the other gazetted officials being Colonel Wilson and Messrs. Shadbolt, Couchman Jacobson and B. Stanley.

Agriculture Department:—(1) Civil Works branch with Mr Preston as Secretary, the other gazetted official being Mr. Burn, Colonel Waller and Messrs. Lemaistre, E. G. Stanley, Dover and Lacey; and (2) Revenue Branch with Mr. Wilson as Secretary, the other gazetted officials being Messrs, Maclagan Robertson, Eardley Wilmot Hill, Graves and Hecker.

Home Department:—Presumably Sir A. T. Arundel as member with Mr. Risley as Secretary, the other gazetted officers being Messrs. Marrie Stokes and Fergusson, Surgeon-General Bomford and Mr. Halward.

THE SUIT AGAINST THE P. AND O. COMPANY.

The trial of the Sunda collision case in which the Secretary of State sues the P. and O. Company for damages was concluded at the High Court at Calcutta to-day, after a prolonged hearing before the Hon. Mr. Justice Stephen who promised to deliver judgment next Monday.

SEQUEL TO THE CRASTER FRAUD.

The High Court at Calcutta to-day fixed Monday next for the hearing of the suit of the Administrator General, Bengal, against Ernest Hardwicke Cowie and others which is a sequal to the Craster fraud case.

COMMERCIAL BANK OF INDIA.

The directors of the Commercial Bank of India report one lakh of rupees net profit for the past half year with which they propose to pay a preference interest to date at 6 per cent., besides placing Rs. 40,000 to the reserve and carrying forward Rs. 36,000.

BANK OF BENGAL.

At their meeting to-day, the directors of the Bank of Bengal made no change in the rate for demand loans which remains at 7 per cent.

SIR ANDREW FRASER ILL.

I regret to hear that Sir Andrew Fraser, the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, who had been indisposed since Monday, has been compelled under medical advice to abandon his tour to Chota Nagpur which had been fixed for next week.

BURMAN CONVICTS' "DARING ESCAPE."

ARMED ESCORT ATTACKED.

RANGOON, MARCH 1.

News of a daring escape from police custody has been received in Rangoon. It appears that while five Burman convicts were coming down by train from Prome in the military police custody of three men, armed with rifle and bayonets and fifty rounds of ammunition each, they overpowered their guard, two of whom they stabbed, and flung the third policeman out of the window.

The convicts, though leg-ironed but not handcuffed, then jumped off the train, picked up the body of the injured policeman whom they had thrown from the train and disappeared with it in the jungle. On arriving at Hlawga Station, the injured policeman gave the alarm and the police are now scouring the country.

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WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

New Evening Modes.

FASHIONS FOR THE FUTURE.

THE VOGUE OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

LONDON, FEB. 10.

In the matter of evening modes, Fashion seems inclind to show a very catholic taste. Styles that are widely different, and, in fact, in some cases even diametrically opposed to each other, are perfectly admissible at the moment, and everything in the way of shape and colour seems to be allowable, provided only that the gowns are becoming to the wearer. The same variety is encourged in the way of materials also, the softest chiffons and silk muslins enjoying quite as a great a vogue as the richest velvets and the most elaborate reproductions of gorgeous Louis XVI. brocades. Suggestions for dance-frocks for debutantes, are of considerable interest just now, when so many young girls seem to be coming out at country balls, in preparation for the more important festivities of the London season, which, all being well, promises even now to be one of unusual gaiety and brightness. It is scarcely necessary, perhaps, to point out that the designs, indicated if carried out in colour, would make very dainty and delightful frocks for girls who have passed the ordeal of their first season. A graceful frock of white chiffon, very suitable for a debutant, and happily suggesting, the flower festoons and ribbon bows of the Pompadour period, is one made up over silver tissue, with the skirt immensely wide and full, and closely gathered for some little distance below the waist. A panel effect is given in front by a double flight of small bows of silver tissue, while nearer to the hem, the floating draperies of chiffon are garlanded by snow-white roses mounted without any foliage, and made in the softest mousseline de soie. The pointed west-belt is of silver tissue, and the low bodice is very prettily arranged with garlands of the same white roses, caught with silver bows and loops. The sleeves are particularly pretty with their finely pleated frills of chiffon and their white rose shoulder-traps.

Another dainty dance dress is an excellent example of the latest vogue for accordion-pleating, a vogue which involves the pleating of every kind of material, from the roughest of tweeds and homespuns to the finest of chiffons and tulles. The gown described is made in very soft white Ninon de soie, which is a little less fragile than the ordinary chiffon, and yet quite as dainty in appearance. Under the pleated Ninon there is a second skirt of fine white net, very lightly embroidered in a leaf design with silver sequins, so that the touches of silver just gleam and glitter through the transparent veiling, and are not so much in evidence as if the leaves were embroidered on the Ninon itself. The bodice is also entirely accordion-pleated, and made in a particularly becoming shape, with a deep belt of ivory-white soft satin, and a double berthe of fine Alencon lace, headed by a few folds of soft satin, and a gathered tucker of mousseline de soie. The little puffed sleeves of chiffon are also very becoming to the arm. They are less likely to get out of condition, too, than the more ordinary frills of accordion-pleated chiffon, which are always so easily crushed and crumpled.

It is not only in the matter of dance dresses, however, that this vogue for accordion-pleating is making itself felt. Some of the newest and prettiest of the short walking-skirts for the early spring are also accordion-pleated. Many of these are made in rather large shepherd's plaid checks, and are cut on the cross, in a fashion which is most effective. In black and white, as well as in brown and white and green and white, these accordion-pleated skirts look particularly well, worn with smart little coats in plain smooth cloth, either black, brown or green, as the case may be. These coats are most successful when they are made in quite a tight-fitting shape, either with a box-pleated habit back or with basques of a moderate length, cut away over the hips in a graceful curve. Afternoon frocks in crepe de chine also lend themselves amiably to this same kind of pleating, and many pretty gowns of a most attractive simplicity are being made with skirts bodices, and sleeves that are entirely accordion-pleated, and trimmed only with deep collars and long cuffs of very fine real Irish or Buckinghamshire lace, and deep waistbelts of soft Louisine silk ribbon, matching exactly the colour of the crepe de csine.

The sartorial triumph of the season is undoutedly the "costume redingote." And from the models now being fashioned, it is quite certain that the long-coat gown will be very popular in the spring. Opinion is divided as to the becomingness of the redingote, and it is obvious that for many figures it will require most careful treatment at the waist. At this point, when the figure is indifferent, an unbroken waist-line is not advisable. The modistes, however, show marvellous ingenuity in surmounting all difficulties so that all who choose may be wearers of the redingote. The half tight or wholly tight coat is treated with girdle effects in the cut, this permitting the bodice portion to be becomingly gathered. From the hips the skirts of such redingotes hang full, and the bottom line of the garment comes to within a few inches of that of the skirt.

As the bottom line of the redingote interferes with skirt trimmings, skirts with such costumes are plain and usually in walking length. But those which touch slightly all round, since they create a more graceful effect, are almost as frequently seen, and such cuts invariably accompany the finer materials. The smart redingote suit is worn over filmy bodices in cream, white and bisque, or vests of worked kid, velvet, and satin. For spring wear these vests will be made of pique. The very smartest reception dresses consist of an elaborately made dress of chiffon cloth, chiffon velvet, velvet and even of fine cloth, with which is worn a coat of satin or velvet, the colour of the gown, and a hat to match. The coats are made in a great variety of ways, from the full pleated wrap to the tight-fitting little Louis XVI jacket. When becoming to the figure this last style of three quarter length coat is the smartest but many women prefer a more loosely fitted effect, particularly over a blouse which is easily wrinkled. For a reception costume, the coat sleeves may be small and quite plainly finished only with a fall of lace at the wrists, or, again, they may be large enough to admit of any sleeve, however full, being slipped underneath without any difficulty or any possible danger of injuring the blouse The jacket made with a broad belt, with a full attached skirt coming just to the knees, is an attractive model. This usually has an embroidered vest of satin or chiffon velvet, over which the coat may be fastened or not at will. A soft jabot of lace makes an attractive finishing touch.

In the fashions for evening gowns, the long close coat of heavy lace promises to be popular, being worn usually with skirt and bodice of chiffon, silk mousseline, or some other thin material These coats have either close fitting elbow sleeveres finished with lace frills or long sleeves pointed over the hands. The close elbow sleeves with lace frills are also seen upon many of the dressy pointed bodice frocks, particularly those made after the Pompadour and Louis Seize periods. And apropos of Louis modes, the popularity for petticoat effects seems to be increasing rather than diminishing. The petticoat is a feature of many of the smartest Riviera frocks. Equally popular is the surplice bertha on the bodice, finished with a dainty little tucker of chiffon or lace.

The value of detached trimmings is everywhere recognised. For the new blouse suspended trimmings flowered silk ribbons or black velvet are the most used. A touch of black velvet with colour is always smart, and some of the skeleton jackets which are seen in the satin-faced ribbons, make light coloured and plain blouses quite smart garments. Ribbons with handsome contrasting borders shape a number of the prettiest accessories, though sometimes the brilliant edges are made by applied bands of ribbon velvet. If a rich effect must be obtained, black velvet or black satin is always used, and the handsomest ribbons in variably have a black border.

Biscuit lace with black chenille and jet is also an effective combination, and one admirably suited to a velvet or chiffon blouse. The forms of the bodice decorations seen everywhere are almost too many to be counted. But girdles and fichu draperies are in the majority, and it is curious sometimes what very simple materials effect these. Any sort of glittering braid or bordered ribbon turns out a smart belt, whose distinguishing detail is frequently a ladder of stiff bows or rosettes or fancy buttons down the front and back. A belt of this description in white satin ribbon was accompanied by a fichu and under sleeves of white mousseline, embroidered and trimmed with ribbon-edged flounces. The set glorified the simple little blouse of white China silk with which it was shown.

Feminie circles in Paris are considerably interested in the project to found a Lyceum Club on the pattern of the institutions established in London and other capitals. A site has been secured in the Rue de la Chaise, near the Bon Marche, on the left bank of the river, the premises being a former residence of a Prince Murat. Attached to the mansion is a large extent of garden. It is proposed to open the club in May. A committee has already been formed, consisting exclusively of French ladies, except the secretary, who is Miss Alys Hallard, a member of the English colony and known as a writer. The names of the committee women, without being of exceptional distinction, perhaps, are very interesting, and include Mme. Ernest Daudet, daughter-in-law of the famous novelist, and Mme. Soulange-Bodin, whose husband, a prominent official of the Qual d'Orsay, is charged with the secretarial duties of the International Inquiry into the North Sea Incident. It is a remarkable circumstance that, for the first time in their lives, French women have banded together to form a club. One wonders what their husbands have to say. The women themselves express the greatest enthusiasm for the experiment.

THE REVIVAL OF VAISHNAVISM.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

DWARKA, MARCH 2.

The Dwarka public, taking advantage of the arrival of Pandit Deendayal on pilgrimage, requested him to deliver an address. A gathering, largely attended by State officials and others, and presided over by Shreeput Trikamlalaji, was held this evening, in the Town Library which was decorated. A deputation comprising of leading gentleman went to the Pandit to bring him to the audience hall. The Pandit delivered an eloquent address. He praised the work undertaken by Tikayat Maharaj Shree Goverdhanlalji of Nathdwara for the revival of Vaishnavism. The audience passed a vote of thanks to Tikayat Maharaj and decided to congratulate his Holiness by telegram. The proceedings terminated after a eulogy of the benevolent acts of his Highness the Gaekwar, and cheers for King Edward and Lord Curzon.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

Lieut. Reeves, 1st Lincolnshire, is appointed to the Sierra Leone Battalion of the West African Frontier Force.

Sanction has been given for the employment of Captain Maclean, 2nd East Lancashires, with the 1st Gold Coast Regiment, West African Frontier Force.

Lieut.-Col. Dawson, Meywar Bhil Corps, is appointed Commandant, 44th Infantry.

The following postings of qualified Indian army candidates are notified:—To the Northern Command:—Second Lieutenants Lee Walker, C. Anderson, C. Christopher, L. Christopher, Lang, Lamb Wallace, McKair and Clothier. To the Western Command:—Second Lieutenants Budgen, and M. Anderson. To the Burma Division:—Second Lieutenants Crawford and Watts. To the Eastern Command:—Lieutenant Molesworth and Second Lieutenants Nation, Drake-Brockman and Burrows.

Leave in extension out of India on medical certificate is granted to Captain Septimus Edwin Greaves, Bombay Volunteer Rifles, from 4th May to 3rd September.

Leave of absence to England is granted to Captain J. C. D. Roper, 1st Battalion, G. I. P. Railway Volunteer Rifle Corps, for twelve months from 18th April.

A BIG FIRE IN BOMBAY.

Yesterday afternoon, a fire broke out in Abdul Rehman Street, one of the busiest thoroughfares in the city and resulted in the destruction of a three storeyed house, belonging to Jamsetji Nowroji Kapadia, a Parsi wine and spirit merchant. The owner occupied the whole house, except the third storey, which was rented by Hormuzd Sheriar, a cigar merchant. The ground floor of the building was used partly as a shop and partly as a godown. The fire originated in the godown which contained hundreds of cases of wine and spirit. It appears that a cask of spirit, which had just been brought from the Dock, was tapped by means of an auger, but before it could be corked up, streams of spirit rushed forth and coming in contact with a hurricane lamp which was kept burning aside in the room, the spirit got ignited. It flared up so quickly that a Ghati, named Shripati, who was engaged in the work, was badly burnt about his body and was at once removed to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital. This was at 4 p.m. An alarm of fire being raised, all the tenants in the house ran out by the front staircase. Information was at once conveyed to the Pydhownee Police Station whence telephonic messages were despatched to the fire brigade stations. The Fort engine was the first to arrive on the scene, followed quickly by the Baboola Tank, Gowalia Tank, Byculla and Colaba engines. In the meantime the fire spread from floor to floor, and when the engines began their attack, the rear portion of the buiding was ablaze from the ground floor to the roof. Lines of hose were run through the adjoining houses in order to enable the men to direct the jets in the burning house with the fullest effect. The operation of the fire brigade was directed by Mr. Nicholls, who was early on the scene. The fire-brigade worked with might and main and subdued the fire in an hour. The fire was totally put out by 6 o'clock. The damage done by the destruction of the house and the property of the tenants is estimated at Rs. 60,000. The house and the goods in the godown were insured for Rs 47,000 with Messrs. Volkart Brothers. An adjoining house belonging to Muncherji Cursetji Daruwalla was slightly damaged. The tramway traffic through Abdul Rehman Street was suspended for nearly two hours owing to lines of hose laid across the street. All the tramway cars running to and from the Fort were diverted on the Kalbadevi line. All approches to the scene of fire were crowded by people, but good order was maintained by the police under Superintendents Stanford, Sloane and Sanderson.

H. E. LORD LAMINGTON.

His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by Captain H. Meynell, A.-D.-C., returned to Bombay yesterday afternoon from Calcutta by the Calcutta Mail Train. His Excellency alighted at at the Victoria Terminus Station, where he was received by Major-General A. G. Cresgh, C. B., Commanding Bombay Brigade; Mr. H. G. Gell, Commissioner of Police; Captain, J. G. Greig, A.-D.-C., and Risaldar Bahadur Shaik Abdul Hamid, Native A.-D.-C. After shaking hands with those present, his Excellency drove to Government House, Malabar Point.

Last night his Excellency left Bombay from the Grant Road Station, on a tour in Kathiawar. His Excellency was accompanied by Lieutenant-Colonel Richard Owen, Military Secretary, Mr. J. H. DuBoulay, Private Secretary, and Captain H. Meynell and Captain the Hon. G. Foljambe, Aides-de-Camp. The departure was private.

THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

The following substantive pro tem appointments are made vice Mr. C. N. Seddon, I. C. S., on deputation:—Major H. G. Carnegy to be Fourth Grade Political Agent, Captain R. S. Pottinger to be First Grade Assistant Political Agent, Captain T. A. F. R. Oldfield to be Second Grade Assistant Political Agent, Lieutenant A. H. E. Morse to be Third Grade Assistant Political Agent.

Mr. G. A. Thomas, I.C.S., Assistant Judge and Sessions Judge, Belgaum, is granted with effect from the 17th April or subsequently such privilege leave as may be due to him on that date in combination with special leave on urgent private affairs, so as to bring the combined period of absence to six months.

Mr. Daniel Solomon, Superintendent and Jailor of the Karachi Prison, is granted privilege leave for two months and sixteen days from the 16th March or subsequently.

Mr. S. A. Whittle, City Deputy Collector, Karachi, acts as Superintendent of the Karachi Prison, in addition to his own duties, during the absence of Mr. Solomon.

Mr. J. A. G. Wales, M. A. (Oxon), I. C. S., is appointed to be Assistant Collector, Ahmednagar.

The following appointments are made vice Mr. W. W. Drew, I. C. S., promoted:—Mr. K. R. Bomanji to be Senior Collector and Mr. W. H. Lucas, I.C.S. to be Junior Collector.

The following appointments are made till Mr. R. P. Jehangir takes charge of the post of Third Assistant Collector of Customs, Bombay:—Mr. R. W. Maidment, Fourth Assistant Collector of Customs, Bombay, to be substantive protem, third Assistant Collector of Customs, Bombay, vice Khan Bahadur Fazlullah Lutfullah Farid, deceased, Mr. F. A. Ingle, Fifth Assistant Collector of Customs, Bombay, to be substantive pro tem, Fourth Assistant Collector of Customs, Bombay, Mr. F. D. Laikaks, Sixth Assistant Collector of Customs, Bombay, to be substantive pro tem Fifth Assistant Collector of Cumtoms, Bombay, Mr. J. L. McQuade to be substantive pro tem Sixth Assistant Collector of Custom, Bombay.

Major F. Joslen, Superintendent, Civil Veterinary Department, Bombay Presidency, is granted privilege leave for three months in combination with furlough for eight months with effect from the 13th May or subsequently.

Mr. M. H. Sowerby, M. R. C. V. S., Indian Civil Veterinary Department, is appointed Superintendent Civil Veterinary Department, Bombay Presidency, during the absence on leave of Major F. Joslen.

Mr. P. R. Cadell, I. C. S., acts as a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Port of Bombay vice Mr. E. Gray, I. C. S., proceeding on leave.

Mr. R. H. H. Hopkins, Shipping Master, Bombay, is granted privilege leave for three months, in combination with leave on medical certificate for six months.

Mr. E. Y. Watson acts as Shipping Master, Bombay, during the absence on leave of Mr. Hopkins.

The Reverend P. H. Preston, Chaplain of Kirkee, is appointed to the Chaplain of Steamer Point Aden.

The Reverend H. Rountree, Chaplain of Steamer Point, Aden, is appointed to be Chaplain of Kirkee.

The following appointments of Inspectors in the Bombay Boiler Inspection Department are made:—Mr. J. R. Carpenter to be Second Inspector on Rs. 400—10—500; Mr. C. Wells to be Third Inspector on Rs. 300—10—400; Mr. E. E. Powell to be Fourth Inspector on Rs. 200—10—250; Mr. C. D. Sharman to be Fifth Inspector on Rs. 250—10—300.

Captain C. H. S. Lincoln, M. R. C. S. (Eng.) L. R. C. P. (Lond.) L. M. S., is granted from the 15th March or subsequently such privilege leave as may be due to him on that date in combination with one year's furlough.

Mr. F. W. Ricke, Examiner of Public Works Accounts, has been granted an extension of nine months.

THE LATE MR SMETHAM.

FUNERAL AT POONA.

The body of the late Mr. Smetham was conveyed to Poona on Tuesday night, by special train and from the station was carried to the cemetery, where it remained in the Chapel until Wednesday evening. On the arrival from Bombay of the friends of the deceased gentlemen and the members of the staff of Messrs. Smetham, Byrne and Noble, the coffin was placed near the grave alongside that of the deceased's wife, who was buried there last August. A party of soldiers from the East Lancashire Regiment acted as bearers. The Rev. T. Haslope conducted the sad service. Among those present at the ceremony, besides the principal employes of the office staff, and several members of the Poona Bar, were: Major Benn, Mr. Byrne, Mr. O. Chalk, Captain and Mrs. Laing, Mr. Turner Laing, Mr. S. M Macausland, Major Murray, Mr. Noble, Mr Plinston and Captain Shuttleworth. Wreaths were sent by Master Stanley Smetham ("In Remembrance of my dear Father"), by the office staff, Mr Justice and Mrs Aston, Mr and Mrs Anderson, Nurse Brown, Mr Byrne, Mr Haji Cassum, Mr F M. Coleman, Mr and Mrs S. M. Edwardes, Mr L G. Fraser, Nurse Fredericks, Mr. Hoare, Mr and Mrs H. E. John, Captain and Mrs Laing, Mr and Mrs T. Laing, Mr and Mrs S. M. Macausland, Mr. O. Meyer, Mr. Motaframus, Mrs. A. Murray, Major Murray, Mr Noble, Mr. G. Payne, Mr and Mrs. J. M. Payne, Mr J. H. Robinson, Messrs Shepherd and Co., Mr. Shroff, Dr. Turkhud and others.

ABKARI ADMINISTRATION IN BOMBAY.

The Government of Bombay, Revenue Department, have issued the following Press Note:—With reference to a letter headed Abkari Administration in Bombay, containing certain allegations relating to the transfer of a liquor shop in Hornby Road, Bombay, published in the issue of the "Bombay Gazette," dated 3rd February 1905. Government have received the following communication from the Collector of Land Revenue, Customs and Opium, Bombay:—"The Collector has the honour to state that the personally visited the spot alluded to in the said exact, and found three printed notices of the proposed removal of a liquor shop, duly pasted on the walls of the houses in Hornby Road. All three notices were prominently visible at 2 p.m. In the case of one of these notices, near a window, it is true that a shutter of the window which opens outwards in the day time does fold over the wall to within an inch of the edge of the notice, but it does not cover the notice in any way or render it less visible. The other two notices have nothing near them to interfere with their visibility The correspondent has omitted to mention that the transfer of the liquor shop contemplated by the notice is one of no importance to the public, being only a removal to the next house but one from where it is at present."

THE BOMBAY LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The preliminary list of the business to be brought forward at the meeting of the Bombay Legislative Council on the 18th inst., includes the second reading of the Bill to establish a Court of Wards in the Presidency, the second reading of the Gujarat Talukdars Act Amendment Bill, the first reading of a Bill to amend certain enactments and to repeal certain others and the first reading of a Bill to amend the Bombay Abkari Act.

The object of the amendment of the Abkari Act is thus explained:—In view of the fact that very large amounts of "mhowra" flowers are imported into the districts of Broach and Nasik (except the taluka of Peint) and the talukas of Pardi, Olpar and Chikhi of the district of Surat, under circumstances which conclusively prove the object of this import to be illicit distillation, it is considered advisable to add these tracts to those to which section 18A of the Bombay Abkari Act, 1878 (Bom. V of 1878), as amended by the Bombay Abkari Act, 1892 (Bom. III of 1892) is now applicable.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA CRICKETERS.

COLD WEATHER PERFORMANCES.

There is not the slightest doubt that the cold weather cricket season of 1904-05 will, as far as the Bombay Gymkhana is concerned, go down to history as the best and most eventful in the annals of the game. Never before, during the past ten years, have the Gymkhana prospects worn a more roseate hue, and for the first time, perhaps, during that period Gymkhana supporters have the comforting knowledge that a representative eleven would acquit itself creditably against any combination in the Presidency, not even excepting the Parsees. This very satisfactory change in the fortunes of the Gymkhana has partly been brought about by the vast improvement in form of some half dozen of the older members of the team and partly by the accession of several new players who have in the last few matches shown form considerably above the average. Of these latter players, it is satisfactory to know that most, if not all of them, will be available throughout the whole of next monsoon season, while the Naval element, especially those players from H M. S. Hyacinth, may be expected to figure oftener in Bombay cricket in future, now that Trincomalee has been abolished as the naval head-quarters of the East India Squadron and the Admiral has a fine new house to spend some weeks in from time to time.

We have referred to the improvement shown by some of the older members of the team which in some cases has been very striking. S. N. Powell at the present time is perhaps one of the most improved bats in India, and during the past few months has been the most consistent scorer in the team. He has gone to the wickets in all thirteen times and has never once failed to score and only failed to reach double figures on three occasions. Among his scores are 100 not out, 61 not out, 61, 55, 40, 32, 21 not out, and 18 not out (carried his bat through the innings). As far back as last August his claims to a place in the Presidency team were freely canvassed, but he is on his present form twice as good a batsman as he was then, and has moreover since attained the rare distinction of making a century against a strong Parsee club team. His style, although still a bit cramped and awkward, has lost a good deal of the indecision and uncertainty that characterised most of his efforts last monsoon season, and he has developed powers which lend an appearance of confidence to his strokes and enable him to score freely all round the wicket. Although he may perhaps never become a pretty bat to watch—he is not quite orthodox enough for that—his methods enable him to make runs easily where other batsmen have to scratch for them. Up to the 28th of last month he was second in the averages, but on that date displaced Cheetham from first place, scoring 100 not out against the Baronet C. C. He has since in turn been displaced by Lieut F. Wilson of the flagship of whom more anon. Another batsman, who has advanced by leaps and bounds during the last twelve months is A. H. Southcote Aston, who had all the advantages of a Harrow cricket training. On the form he has displayed this cold weather cricket season he

Rumboll, Kiddle, Powell, and Ainsworth (when he is able to play) are bowlers who are good on their day.

We append the batting averages compiled up to February 28th, and these include scores made in Civil vs. United Services Matches.

	No of Innings	Times not out	Highest Innings	Total runs	Average
Lieut F Wilson	4	0	96	201	50—1
Mr S N Powell	13	4	*180	429	46—8
Mr H Cheetham	12	3	101	313	34—7
Mr A H S Aston	11	2	*69	272	30—2
Mr J A C Kiddle	7	3	49	119	29—3
Mr J S Milne	9	1	43	184	20—4
Mr W H Scott	4	1	*32	59	19—3
Mr A C Hume	5	1	41	147	18—3
Mr G Dawson	4	0	57	65	16—1
Mr C L Burns	5	0	51	90	15
Mr T J Reid	4	0	14	22	5—2
Capt J H McDonald	4	1	10	15	5

*Denotes not out.

We are unable to give the bowling averages as the proper analysis has not been kept in one match, but the following have taken wickets :—Cheetham 25, Milne 24, Coombs 14, Rumboll 10, Wilson 9, Abercrombie 5, Powell 6, Greig 3.

A LAW TOUT'S PETITION REJECTED.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Russell and the Hon. Mr. Justice Batty, presiding at the High Court, yesterday disposed of the petition of Dosabhoy Dadabhoy, who was, on the 9th ultimo, declared by Mr. P. H. Dastur, Second Presidency Magistrate, to be a law tout and forbidden to enter the Court premises. It was stated before the Magistrate that the petitioner was formerly a petition writer, that since then he had been sitting in a shop opposite the Magistrate's Court, and that he received clients. The petitioner, in answer to the Magistrate, stated that he was the managing clerk to Mr. Crage, pleader. He took instructions from Mr. Crage's clients and prepared rough drafts, and kept accounts for the pleader. He also stated that he received Rs. 30 per month from him.

The Magistrate made an order in the case as follows: The respondent (petitioner) was formerly a petition writer, but the courts here stopped receiving petitions written by him, as he was then reported to be a law tout. He has now opened a shop, and states that he does work there as a managing clerk for Mr. Crage and receives Rs. 30 per month. I do not think that a junior pleader like Mr. Crage would give his clerk Rs. 30 per month by way of salary only. Further, why should the man have opened a shop where Mr. Crage now goes to hold his office? All these things appear to the Court sufficient to declare him a law tout, and this Court therefore declares him one and orders that he should not come within the Court premises.

The petitioner, in his appeal to the High Court, said that the record did not disclose any evidence on the order; that it was an error to hold that the courts had stopped receiving petitions written by him; and that there was no evidence to show that Mr. Crage could not pay Rs. 30 to his clerk.

Their lordships, on a consideration of all the circumstances and the provisions of section 36 of the Legal Practitioners Act 18 of 1879, rejected the petition.

LASCARS' GUILDS.

IN the annual report of the Committee of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce, it is stated that in 1903, the Bombay Government consulted the Chamber with regard to the practice of drawing up running agreements between masters and seamen of Foreign going vessels, terminable six months subsequent to the date of agreement. This practice was contrary to Section 23 of Act I of 1859. The Chamber expressed the opinion that the enforcement of a law making all such agreements terminable on the 30th June or 31st December 'would entail much inconvenience" and additional expense; and suggested that Government should amend the law in such a manner as to regularise the practice previously followed. No reply to this representation was received, but in the early part of 1904, the attention of the Chamber was called to a "notification" issued by the shipping master to the effect that under instructions from Government "no running agreements for Foreign going ships will be made to extend beyond the next following 30th June or 31st December in terms of Section XXIII of Act I of 1859." The Chamber accordingly again addressed Government on 24th March 1904. Government, in reply, stated that even if an amendment of the law in the sense suggested by the Chamber was determined upon it would take a considerable time to be effected and that in the meantime, His Excellency the Governor in Council, while much regretting the practical inconvenience which would result, could not permit a practice to continue in Bombay which was unauthorised and in contravention of the provisions of the law. It was subsequently pointed out that the steamers of the P. and O. S. N. Company employed on the local services, that is the Aden and China lines, usually carry large native crews consisting of firemen, lascars and Goanese, the majority of the native crews were members of Guilds or Clubs, the executive officers of which had considerable power over the men. This was particularly the case as regards the Goanese members of a crew who were more or less in the hands of the executive of a Portuguese Club in Bombay—an institution which appeared to have an extraordinary hold over it members and the joining of which was practically compulsory. "These Clubs or Unions," the Chamber continued, "greatly facilitate strikes as is the case in many parts of Europe and the fact of having a large number of Native seamen adrift in an important Port like Bombay at one time, was, the Chamber submitted, in itself an incentive to strikes and other troubles. Apart from this, the paying off of all crews at practically two given dates of the year renders it extremely difficult to procure efficient seamen required for vessels sailing at those times, as lascars usually like to go to their country to spend their wages and owing to the increased demand for these men, suitable hands become extremely scarce. The Committee submitted apart from the fact that the conditions in England and in India, were not identical, that the English Act was found to be impracticable in its application so far at least as the P. and O. Mail steamers were concerned; and the Board of Trade accordingly sanctioned the extension of all articles, in connection with that Company's vessels sailing from English Ports, for a period not exceeding 12 months. All the P. and O. crews therefore sign on English articles for the latter period to date from day of signing the articles. The effect of the altered arrangements for the signing on of ship's crew was, at the time of addressing Government, beginning to be felt. The Government of Bombay, under date 1st August stated that the Chamber's views had been communicated to the Government of India; but no final orders had been passed on the subject up to the time of compiling this report.

THE WEATHER.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON THURSDAY, THE 2ND MARCH.

SUMMARY.

Pressure changes have been very irregular, showing a brisk rise in Rajputana, the Punjab, United Provinces and at Nesmuch, a brisk fall at Rajkot, Bhavnagar Para, Ratnagiri and Karwar and a slight rise or fall elsewhere. The barometer continue to be steadily in excess of normal over the whole area.

Winds are very variable in direction and the force has been fresh to strong at Dwarka, Bhuj, Veraval, Ratnagiri, Mormugao and Negapatam and moderate to light elsewhere.

Temperature.—The variations of both the day and night temperatures show a defect of from 5° to 16° in many places to the north of Latitude 16°. The highest temperature in the shade was 102° at Cuddapah and the lowest 42° at Lahore.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is cloudy at Karachi, Jodpur, Ajmer, Deesa, Raipur, Akola, Malegaon, Bombay, Poona, Hyderabad Deccan, Masulipatam, Bellary, Cuddapah and Trichinopoly.

Rain.—Nil.

Weather is unusually cool for this time of year over nearly the whole country to the north of Latitude 16°, but otherwise it continues settled. In the Persian area it is slightly unsettled and cloudy.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS,

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA.
Bombay, 1st March 1905.

Means of observations taken at 5 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah.	inches 30 049
Temperature of the air	degrees 69 8
Wet Bulb Thermometer	61 4
Dew Point	56 3
Relative humidity of Air	0 639
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded =10)	6 2
Maximum temperature of air (read at 5 a.m.) next day	degrees 76 0
Minimum do. do. (read at 5 a.m.)	59 8
General Direction of Wind	NNE, NW, NNW
Movement of Wind in 24 hours	miles 313

From midnight to midnight.

N. A. F. MOOS,
Director Government Observatory.

LORD CURZON'S ETON SCHOOLDAYS.

(Concluded from page 4.)

I have already said that Curzon although no great athlete, was a good judge of cricket. Surrounded by his little court of kindred spirits, of whom poor Charlie Butler (who afterwards went into the 17th Lancers and died in India) and his brother Hubert were always part he used to lie full length on his rug, when a school match was in progress in Upper Club and devour cherries and strawberries whilst discussing the prospects of each candidate for the eleven. And woe betide the one who happened to be fielding out close to where George Curzon and his friends were disporting themselves? I remember once hearing, although happily the prophesy was not fulfilled, that owing to a duck's egg, I had obtained that morning, all chance of displaying my just proportions in light blue at "Lords" had vanished. I can never quite understand why we did not kick Curzon when he "cheeked" us. I am sure we often felt it was our duty, and yet I never heard of it being done but then his chaff although clever and at times irritating was never ill natured.

It will be gathered from what I have written that George Curzon belonged to the brainy side of the school. Whereas most of us did a little work occasionally in order to get through trials, and took keen delight in our games. Curzon made study the chief object of his schooldays, and was continually quietly adding to his store of knowledge, and preparing himself for the great struggle for fame and fortune in which, even at that early age, he was determined to succeed.

My last term at Eton, I was thrown a great deal into his society and he often talked of the future. I use the third person singular because I did most of the listening. Even as a youth he was a brilliant conversationalist and his English was so well chosen and correct that in almost any other boy it would have sounded, stilted and unnatural, and as if he were straining after effect. This was not the case at all. He had a voracious appetite for books, and knew all about things with which the average schoolboy has not begun to bother his head. Therefore I loved to listen and, although many of his remarks went over my head, it was always a pleasure to be with him whilst he expounded some of his boyish theories on certain, to me, abstruse subjects. If in after life therefore, especially during his parliamentary career, he was occasionally taunted for posing as a "superior person," can one be surprised that "malgre lui" a little assumption of superiority should be noticeable? At Eton he had as his friends and competitors a thousand lads, the flower of British boyhood, on whose education no expense had been spared by parents lavish with their money, especially where their childrens' education was concerned, and yet he must have felt that in intellectual power he towered head and shoulders above the majority of them. Later on at Balliol success came to him with equal ease, and as a speaker and natural debater at the Oxford Union Society his retorts and oratorical triumphs are quoted to this day. Under these circumstances would it not have been indeed surprising if the knowledge of his power and superiority had not leaked out from time to time in his manner?

It was perhaps Curzon's boyish appearance, even after he had thrown himself headlong into the vortex of political strife, which irritated his opponents into giving vent to sarcastic epithets. They probably did not know him as well as I did, and consequently could not understand that behind that quiet, youthful, rosy face, almost innocent of beard, there lurked an iron will backed up by brain power of the very highest order, and hence their surprise and discomfiture!

I must confine myself, however, in this sketch to Curzon's schooldays. I was saying that I saw a great deal of him during my last term at Eton and I can call to mind our last long chat. We were in Charlie Butler's room at Vidals. Walter Forbes with his back to the fire place, was trying with only partial success to balance a cricket ball on the edge of a bat whilst George Curzon kept us all alive with running fire of chaff. I took advantage of a lull in the conversation, to remind Curzon that in a few days, I was leaving Eton for good. He immediately took my arm and suggested that we should go for a stroll by the river. When we got outside his manner had quite changed.

He was no longer the bright cherry boy of a few moments before but grave and quiet, and during that walk, when photographs were exchanged, I felt I had learnt another side to George Curzon's character—and a very gentle, loveable one it was.

BULK OIL INSTALLATIONS IN BOMBAY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—A very short time ago it was announced that the Bombay Port Trust are proposing to locate all bulk oil installations on an ideal spot they have selected near Sewree and that they have applied to Government to acquire an area of close upon 300,000 sq-yds, near the old Sewree Fort under the Land Acquisition Act for a public purpose. In the first place, it must be admitted that the words "public purpose" are so elastic and connotative of such a wide interpretation in a legal sense, that it will be fruitless to contend against it. If the Port Trust authorities have taken the bulk oil merchants under their own protection and are acquiring properties in Bombay on their behalf, why not should the same public body move Government to locate other hazardous wares such as sulphuric and nitric acids in bulk, stores of crackers, and matches, petrol in quantities, and several such other items which fall under the Explosives Act in force in Bombay. It seems highly invidious that the Port Trust should go out of their way to take only these merchants, who I believe are all Europeans, under their wings and leave the others, who I presume are all Natives, to shift for themselves. What one feels most is the fact that the land owners in Sewree, who have come to enjoy their holdings for over a period of several decades will thus be called to give up and surrender their ancient and hereditary rights in the soil with the ostensible object of serving a public purpose. Why are not the owners of such lands, who will be too willing to become themselves the lessors to such bulk oil proprietors offered the chance of enjoying the rents which will go to fill the coffers of the Trust and these poor people be deprived of a chance which if at all, comes, in a century. It is a great pity the inhabitants and land owners of Sewree are voiceless and there is none to sound the trumpet of their grievances. But our present benevolent Governor will, I am sure, consider and take into account all these facts put forward in support of the Sewree land owners.

In the second place the Port Trust unanimously consider Sewree to be an ideal spot for erecting the bulk oil tanks in Bombay. It is easy to imagine what would be the state of Bombay if at any time an explosion, such as was recently reported on the Thames, occurs. I am convinced half of Bombay will thereby be engulfed and the foundations of many mills, bungalows and houses endangered, in the vicinity or within a radius of two miles. I remember how the small dynamite explosion that took place some fourteen years ago, at Matoonga roused me from my sleep and shook the very walls of my house near the Gowalia Tank. So it would not be difficult to imagine what disastrous effects five or six of such tanks exploding would have. While I am on this subject I may at once suggest an appropriate spot for such storage. The Port Trust have acquired a large tract of land on the Island of Elephanta. To my mind this would be a safe locality to store such explosives there, or if not why not remove all these tanks, &c., to the Island of Shewa, near Hog Island or for a matter of fact the best and safest place I can think of for such storage will be in the village of Nandia which is situate on the eastern slope of the Mahawal Hill near Trombay—Yours, &c.

A SYMPATHISER.

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THE BOMBAY COURT OF WARDS BILL.

THE Select Committee of the Bombay Legislative Council appointed to report on the Bill to establish a Court of Wards in the Bombay Presidency, have submitted their report and amendments to the measure. They state the following are the main points in the amended Bill, which appear to call for remark :—

(1) Clause 2, paragraph (c).—We consider that the original enumeration of the persons to whom the provisions of the Bill are to apply is, except in the cases of minors and lunatics, unnecessarily wide, and we have therefore amended the definition of "land-holder" accordingly. The intention is that, except in these cases, the provisions should apply only to estates of which it will be in the public interest to assume management, as, for example, ancestral estates, and we are of opinion that the amended definition of "land-holder" expresses this intention as explicitly as is possible without incurring the risk of excluding cases which it might be desirable to include. We have also, with the same object, inserted a proviso to clause 4, sub-clause (1), and certain words in clause 9, sub-clause (1), reciting expediency in the public interests to preserve property for the benefit of the family and sufficiency of value to permit of economical management, as circumstances essential to any assumption of superintendence, whether on disqualification or application, except in the cases of minors and lunatics.

(2) We have recast clause 5, sub-clause (1), to avoid a misapprehension in regard to females created by the sub-clause as originally drafted. The bar of appeal in sub-clause (2) has, after considerable discussion, been allowed to stand. The majority of us are of opinion that to allow an appeal would elaborate the proceedings in the District Court in a highly undesirable manner and would lead to the ordinary delays and expenses of litigation, which would either throw an additional burden on the estate or be a charge on public funds for which there appears to be no justification. We have dropped the expression "summary inquiry" and have substituted "such inquiry as it ("sci)," the District Court) thinks fit": thus the District Court may deal with a doubtful case with the same minuteness as in a regular suit, and, on the other hand, may dispose of a clear case in a very summary manner.

(3) Clause 6 has been adopted from section 7, sub-section (2), of the Punjab Court of Wards Act, 1903 (Punj. II of 1903). Clause 7 subordinates, in the case of minors, the Act to the Guardians and Wards Act, 1890 (VIII of 1890), which enactment is ordinarily sub-ordinated to "every enactment heretofore or hereafter passed relating to any Court of Wards Act, (cf. sections 3 and 19.) We consider that the less arbitrary procedure is preferable and sufficient.

(4) Sub-clause (1) of clause 9 has been amended in accordance with the proviso to clause 4, sub-clause (1). In sub-clause (2) we have introduced changes of some importance. We think it somewhat arbitrary to empower a bare majority of co-sharers, or the managing co-sharer or co-sharers, to apply for management on behalf of all. We have, therefore, limited this power to cases, where co-sharers holding at least seventy-five per centum of the estate join in the application, and have added provisoes to ensure that management will only be assumed in clear cases and to expressly save the right of dissentient co-sharers to obtain partition of their shares. We have, further, by the insertion of certain words in proviso thirdly, paragraph, (b), to clause 40, sub-clause (1), expressly saved dissentients who do not choose to exercise their right to obtain partition from the disabilities as to alienation which will attach to applicants.

(5) We think that the powers relating to the temporary custody of heirs and protection of property conferred by clause 10 should be exercised only on the authorization of the District Court.

(6) In lieu of the original clause 12 we have added a general saving in clause 45, with exceptions relating to clauses 28 and 29.

(7) We have recast clause 14 and have, on the analogy of clause 15, sub-clause (3), virtually allowed an appeal to the Civil Court from the decision of the Court of Wards refusing to admit a claim after time.

(8) Clause 17.—Under the original clause, the effect of non-submission of claims under decree was to postpone them to all submitted claims but not to subject them to the ordinary rule laid down in clause 14, sub-clause (3). We see no reason why decree-claims should be treated differently from other claims and have amended the clause accordingly. We have also inserted words in sub-clause (1) to prevent the possibility of cases arising like that of Nayak Purshotum Ghelji v. the Secretary of State for India in Council (1899), I. L. R. 24 Bom. 240.

(9) Clause 19.—We think that delegations and authorizations by a Court of Wards or a Collector should be to Government officers, and that those should be at least of the rank of Assistant or Deputy Collector in the one case, and of Mahalkari in the other.

(10) Clause 21.—We have considered it preferable to embody the provisions of the Public Accountants' Default Act, 1850 (XII of 1850), directly rather than by reference.

(11) Clause 27.—We consider that the previous sanction of the Governor-in-Council should be essential to all mortgages, and to all leases of a ward's property extending to over ten years, and that the power of sale or exchange, which under the original clause 27 extended to the whole property, should extend only to one-fourth of it. The main object of the Act is to preserve certain property in the family, and we think a power to sell or exchange more than a small portion would defeat this object.

(12) Clause 37 and 38.—We think that the former absolute bar of alienation is unnecessary, and that no sanction or assent should be required in the case of adoptions. We also think that wills should, as a matter, of course, obtain sanction except where the wills appear to be contrary to personal law or likely to defeat the objects of superintendence. The saving of applicants which appears in the first six lines of the original clause 37 was adapted from proviso thirdly to section 34 of the Madras Court of Wards Act, 1902 (Mad. I of 1902); but the scheme of the Bill in regard to applicants differs widely from that in the Madras Act, e. g., in the disabilities attaching to applicants after withdrawal of superintendence (see clause 40), and we think, therefore, that the exemption should be withdrawn.

(14) Clause 40.—We think that cases of compulsory withdrawal should be regulated by the opinion of the District Court.

A majority of us are, after considerable discussion, strongly of opinion, for the reasons given in paragraph 2 of the Statement of objects and reasons that the restrictions as to alienation after the withdrawal of superintendence should not, either in the case of persons disqualified or of applicants, be modified.

(14) Clause 43, sub-clause (2).—We think that the question of limitation of appeals should be provided for in the Bill itself, rather than by rule under clause 46, sub-clause (2), paragraph (f).

3. The other amendments which we have introduced are either verbal or of minor importance, and do not appear to require comment.

The Hon. Mr. H. S. Dikshit, in a minute of dissent writes: I regret I can not approve of the amended Bill in its entirety, leaving aside minor points of difference the main objections that I have to the Bill are the following:—(a) The amended definition of "land holder" though an improvement over the original, is still very vague. The classes enumerated in clause 2 (c) (ii) are, I think, sufficiently wide to cover all cases in which the intervention of the Court of Wards could be desired, and the general words at the end of that clause which make the definition quite vague can safely be omitted and they should, I think, be omitted. (b) Clause 5 (1) (c) has practically remained in the same unsatisfactory condition as in the original Bill. No doubt the inquiry to be held by the District Court will not now be a summary one in terms, but the nature of it will depend on the descretion of the Judge, a descretion which will be virtually uncontrolled as there will be no appeal against the order of the District Court I would provide that the order should be made after "due inquiry" and not after such inquiry as the District Court thinks fit, and that the order should be subject to appeal to the High Court. The delay and expense incidental to such appeal would not in my opinion be very great, but, even if they were, that circumstance alone should not deter the Legislature from allowing an appeal, considering that the order of the District Court will very seriously affect the rights of the person held to be disqualified, and deprive him of all control over his own property. I would also delete the words "or such other habits as cause, or are likely to cause, injury to their property or to the well-being of their inferior holders." These words are dangerously wide and do not appear in the Central Provinces Court of Wards Act, which has been adopted as model by the farmer of the Bill. The expression "injury to the well-being of their inferior holders" is copied from the Gujrat Talukdars' Act, but there it is used in a very different connection. There the apprehension of such injury is a ground, not for disqualifying the taluqdar in the various ways in which a Government ward will be disqualified, but only for authorizing the Collector to cause the estate to be attached and taken under management.

(c) The restriction on the Government ward's power to make a will should, I think, be removed. The only danger that is apprehended if the restriction is withdrawn is that the ward may will away his property in favour of a person from whom he may borrow moneys. This I think, is a needless apprehension. No money-lender would be so unwise as to lend money on the strength of a will which he knows can be revoked the next minute and no Government ward would be so eccentric as to will away his property to his creditor to the prejudice of his heirs.

(d) I cannot accept proviso thirdly to clause 40 (1). It unduly restricts the powers not only of those who have been Government wards but also their successors. There does not appear to me to be sufficient justification for this drastic step. If the ward after he has ceased to be one or his successor is in no way disqualified, there is no reason why he should lose his rights over his own property. If, on the other hand, he misbehaves himself and comes within the purview of clause 5 (c) his estate can again be taken charge of by the Court of Wards. I would therefore suggest that the said proviso which I may add is one of the provisions which have rendered the Bill unpopular, should be deleted.

(e) I think there should be an appeal to the High Court from the order of the District Court undercl ause 40. The reasons which I have given with reference to objection (b) "supra" apply "mutatis mutandis" to this objection.

(f) I cannot accept the addition made in the body of clause 45. I think the whole addition should be deleted. Those words would considerably restrict the jurisdiction of Civil Courts, a step which I cannot approve of. The open manner in which proceedings are conducted in Civil Courts inspire far greater confidence than the procedure of administrative officers, and every step to restrict the jurisdiction of Civil Courts is, in my humble opinion, a retrograde one.

The Hon. Mr. D. A. Khare agrees, entirely with the Honourable Mr. Dikshit's minute of dissent.

AMENDMENT OF THE GUJARAT TALUKDARS' ACT.

THE Select Committee of the Bombay Legislative Council on the Bill further to amend the Gujarat Talukdars' Act, 1888, have submitted a report as under :—

Clause 2.—We think that the word "mulgameti" should be qualified so as to exclude any persons so designated who have no independent title in land. We do not consider that the provisions of the Act should be applicable to persons whose rights are subordinate to those of superior holders. We have amended the clause accordingly.

Sub-clause (2).—The undisputed practice of the last forty years has been to consider mulgametis holding independent estates as taluqdars and we think it desirable definitely to legalize this practice by giving retrospective effect to sub-clause (1). We have added a proviso to limit the retrospective effect of section 31 of the Act to cases in which the practice has been followed.

Clause 4 and 5.—We consider it unnecessary to include cases in which estates are merely held pending partition (section 27) among those to which the new provisions will apply, and have accordingly deleted the references to that section. Otherwise, apart from one or two formal amendments, we have merely amended the Bill in accordance with the corresponding provisions of the Court of Wards Bill, and the remarks of the Select Committee appointed to consider that bill, with which we agree, appear sufficient to explain these amendments.

The report is signed by Sir James the Hon. Mr. J. Monteath, R. A. Lamb, the Hon. Dr. R. G. Bhandarkar, and subject to minutes of dessent by the Hon. Mr. G. K. Parekh and the Hon. Mr. C. H. Setalwad.

The Honourable Mr. G. K. Parekh thinks that no sufficient case has been made out for the introduction of this measure, with the exception of clause 5, and he thinks the amendment of the Gujarat Taluqdar's Act should be limited to that clause. He considers that clause 4 should be dropped altogether, as it is not desirable that taluqdars whose estates have been taken under management under sections 26 and 28 of the Act should become incompetent to transfer their properties or to create charges on or interest in them or to enter into contracts which may involve them in pecuniary liability. In any case, it is desirable to limit the disqualification to taluqdars whose estates are taken under management under sec. 28.

The Honourable Mr. C. H. Setalvad writes: In clause 2, sub-clause (2), I would omit the words beginning with except and ending with "Act." In clauses 4 and 5, I would omit the figures "20." The remarks in paragraph 3 of this report should not be taken to mean that I approve in their entirety the corresponding provisions of the Court of Wards Bill as part of that Bill or that I concur in the remarks of the Select Committee on that Bill in favour of retaining in their entirety the said provisions as part of that Bill.

BOMBAY 9TH EXTRA MEETING.

HANDICAPS.
Saturday, 4th March.

The March Plate—1 Mile. Hoop Iron 10 4, Essington 9-12, Signorina 9 0, Jem Gosper 9-4, Riverside 11 9 8, Shotover 8-5, Sweet Sound 8-4, Testwood 8-0, Yankee Boy 7-12, Firecracker 7-10, Dumbell 7-8 Balmyeuse 7 5, Honest Lady 7 5, Musty 6-13, Blue Blood 6 11, Apology 6-0.

The Parel Plate.—1 1-4 Mile. Sanction 9-9, Skylark 9-7, Arabistan 9-5, Mooreed 9-1, Talisman 9 0, Naranjee 8-13, Bendigo 8-12, Berlin 8-0, Little Joker 7-10, Faithful 7-2, Young Mosumna 6-3 Erban 6-0.

The Kensington Plate.—5 furlongs. Signorina 10 7, Gun Metal 10-0, Olga Patricia 9-9 Yankee Boy 9-7, Russley Rose 9 4, Comeback 9-0, Matalgia 8 7, Veera 8 5, Koks 8-0, Pat C 7-11, Wakeful 7-10, Picture 6-8, Pet Girl 6-5, La France 6 4, Blackthorn 1-1, Solace 6-0, Hazelnut 6-0

Top weight not accepting weight to be raised 5 lbs.

The Dealers Consolation Plate—6 furlongs. Ajax 9-7, Hanuch Flag 9-3, Mishali 9-0, Spectator 8-13, Antonio 8-13, Coger 8-8 Book-hit 8-2, Sherali 8-0, Jolly Joker 8 0, Ashroff 7-12, My Mistake 7-8.

The Early Spring Plate—5 furlongs. Childs Guide 10 7, Kingston 9-10 Eptome 9 3, Firecracker 7-12, Sweet Sound 7-11, Resident 7-8, Olga Patricia 7 6, Nesmore 7-5 Honest Lady 7-4, Carreewick 7-0, Diakkaway 6-13, Hyacinth 6-10, Sundowner 6-8, Jubilant 6 3, Apology 6-0, Top weight not accepting weights to be raised 7 lbs.

The Coorla Plate—6 furlongs. Achilles 9-8, Oriental 9-2, Moon 8-9, Hermit 8-5, Mint 8-3 Bandit 11 8-1, Tachinet 8-0, Farewell 7-13, Little Joker 7-13, Serjamal 7-12, Yerbo 7-11, Grey Fox 7-9, Vasco 7-6, Firdosi 7-5, Kour Saheb 7-0, Huddal 6-11, Erban 6-0. Top weight not accepting weights to be raised 5 lbs.

CECIL GRAY
Secretary, W. I. T. C.

1st March. 1905.

HOME REMITTANCES.

The Treasury, Calcutta, 25th February, 1905.

The Weekly Memorandum of Remittances to the Home Treasury by means of Council Bills :—

1	Amount to be remitted during 1904-05	£16,500,000
2	Remitted from 1st April 1904 to 25th Feb. 1905 by Council Bills	£31,149,117
	By Gold	nil
3	Amount remitted in excess over estimate	£14,649,117

PECULIAR PHOTOGRAPHIC ACTION.

WHILE we are no longer surprised to hear that almost everything will produce some photographic effects, it is still news to learn that gravitation plays a part in photographic action. This announcement was made at the meeting of the Naturforschende Gesellschaft, of Switzerland, at Bale, in December last by Mr. G. W. A. Kahlbaum. Having shown that the density of metals, with the exception of cadmium, decreases at very high pressures, instead of increasing, Mr. Kahlbaum investigated the distillation of metals in a vacuum, and further, the transparency of metals to Rontgen rays. He then observed that the metals themselves had a photographic action under the following circumstances :—He put a sensitized plate, film upward, in a box of cardboard lined with black paper; over the film he placed in succession a strip of paraffined paper pieces of cardboard and pieces of sheet metal. The whole arrangement was then repeated in the reversed order, cardboard, paraffined paper, and another photographic plate being placed on the top of the metal. The metals in question were aluminium, iron, zinc, and lead. After an exposure of several days, a distinct photographic action was seen on the film, which was below the metal, but hardly any effect being noticeable on the film above the metal. The action was strongest in the case of zinc. These pieces of metal having previously been exposed to Rontgen rays in other experiments, a special set of metals not used so far in any way, was obtained. The photographic action was again confined to the lower plate, and when these metals were first exposed to various radiations and then put in the box, the effects remained the same. The emanation or radiation responsible for these photographic effects, therefore, seemed to be subject to gravitation. The peculiar thing is that several plates piled upon one another, underneath the metal, were all affected, the one nearest to the metal, of course, most strongly. A modification of the experiments, suggested by Hagenbach, seems to support the gravitation hypothesis. When the plates were placed vertically, instead of horizontally, there was no difference between right and left, corresponding to the top and bottom of the former cases. On the other hand, centrifugal force did not help gravitation as one might have expected, the plates were put in an apparatus and revolved 2700 times a minute, but there was no increase in the action on the outer plate. It appears to us that speculation on such observations cannot do much good at present. We have first to sift the evidence and to collect more material. Kahlbaum refers to Blaas and Czermak, who had observed that paper, straw, &c., after exposure to the sun's light, will blacken photographic plates and potassium iodide paper, and that polished and also amalgamated zinc plates will do likewise. They had suggested that ozone or hydrogen peroxide were concerned. In repeating these experiments, Streintz found that electromotive forces would come into play. Characters scratched on magnesium foil were quickly reproduced on potassium iodide paper in contact with the metal, and characters drawn with graphite on magnesium also; but characters drawn with magnesium on zinc, or vice versa, were not reproduced. Now magnesium, carbon, and a film of moisture would give a galvanic couple of fair voltage, while magnesium and zinc stand too near one another in the voltaic series. That moisture and temperature have something to do with the phenomena was noticed by Kahlbaum. But water vapour would condense on the top plate as well as on the bottom plate, and it is difficult to grasp why the radiation which was stopped by metals and mica, though not by paper, should penetrate through several films downward, but not upward.—"Engineering."

HIGH COURT.—March 3.

Before the Hon'ble Mr Justice B TYABJI.
Suits for hearing and final disposal.
Long Cause

322-01—Payne and Co—Dr Leo Gams others vs The Actien Gessels chaft fur Amine Fabrikation—Smetham and B and N—Part heard.

Commercial Cause.

759,01—Captain and V—Champsy Parbut and others vs Mowji Shamji and others—Madhowji E K—Part heard

Long Causes.

590,0,01—Tyabji H and Co—Casamally Jafferbhoy vs Kulsumbai widow and others—Payne and Co Ardeshir H D and Co D D and S and Matubhoy J and M

279,01—Edgelow G and W—Dalhubdas Parbhundas vs Motiram Gowan and others—Ardeshir H D and Co and K D Sheriff—For postponement

125,05—Payne and Co—Jugmohundas Vandrawondas vs Tookersey Shamji—Daphtary and F and Edgelow G and W

Before the Hon'ble Mr Justice BATCHELOR.
At 1 O'clock.
To speak to the minutes of decree.

331-04—Tyabjee D and Co—Jeewandas Haridas vs Haji Noor Mahomed Cassum Mitta and others Captain and vs Thakurdas and Co.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.
Long Causes.

240,04—Wadia G and Co—Jannoo Hossein and others vs The Bombay Fire and Marine Insurance Co Limited and others—Cragie D and O—Part heard

For trial of preliminary issues.

182'01—Maganlal J and G Sewdas Weljee and another vs Chaghai widow and another Ardeshir H D and Co

168 01—Kanga and P Mawjee Arjun and Co—and another vs Neubai widow and others Tyabji D and Co—For further evidence

Long Causes.

291-04—Dikshit D and S—Pashakur Govind Vaidyr vs Pranchand Raychand and Co—Edgelow G and W and N M Cama

762-0 —Mulji and D Nanbai widows vs Jamnadas Bhugwandas Haivi H and M

785,04—Payne and Co Hunsraj Mooranji vs Runchordas Dharsey Little and Co

285-01—Wadia G and Co—Rawji Sakolchand and Co vs Runchordas Dharsey—Little and Co

430 16996-04—Mulla and M—Gordhundas Waghji vs Dosa Haji Ebrahim and others—Ardeser H D and Co

676-04—Ardeser H D and Co—Haji Ebrahim Mahomed vs Gordhundas Waghji—Mulla and M

609'04—Bhaishanker K and G, Gordhan Ramji vs Bai Ladoobai and another Hiral I D

190'04—In Person Chatturbhuj Soondersee vs Permanand Dassa Madhowji and K

733,04—Wadia G and Co, Abdulla Kalikbhoy Readymoney vs Mahomed Haji Sulleman and other—Smetham and B and N. and Matubhoy J and M.

Before the Hon'ble Mr Justice CHANDAVARKAR
Suits for hearing and final disposal.
Long Causes.

385—01—Daphtary and F—Thakersey Shamji and others vs The Lord Reay Mills Company Limited—Matubhai J and M and Dikshit D and S—Part heard

42,05—Payne and Co Hirji Kiloo Manock and others—vs Haji Sultanali Shustri and others—Matubhoy J and M and Mitra and M

771,04—Edgelow G and W—Dayachand Sakulchand vs Adam Hajee Jackeria—Thakurdas and Co

538,04—Payne and Co—Hunsraj Moraji vs Mongibai widow—Little and Co

247-04—Bicknell M and M—Tribhowandas Kallandas Gajjar vs Ramanlal Gordhundas Gazgar—Payne and Co

735-01—Payne and Co—Ibrahim Hassum vs The Peroo Mahomed Manufacturing Co Limited

724-04—Maganlal J and G Ganbatai widow vs Shivji Lodha

688-04—Mulla and M Ahmed Ali Mahomed vs Tyab Hossein Arbeer H D and Co

305-01—Raghunaya and B Bhasker Ganesh Shevdye vs Ranji Vinayakrao Jagannath Shankarshet Crawford B and Co

77-04—Maganlal J and G Mahomed Ahmed and another vs Pedro Salvadore Rodrigues Daphtary and Co

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M. A. P. IN THE GREEN ROOM.

WHEN New York takes a play to its heart, it does so with that thoroughness and enthusiasm which are so characteristic of America—a land of keener or, at least, of more outspoken emotion than our own. "The Duchess of Dantzic" was produced for the first time at Daly's, in that city, on January 16th, and the New York papers have just arrived which give an account of the first night. They are unanimous in high eulogy of Mr. George Edwardes's first production in person in the capital of America. "The Duchess scored the biggest success of the musical season," says the "New York Herald."

The chief honours were won by Miss Evie Greene as the Duchess. Indeed, Miss Greene seems to have taken captive the New York public even before she appeared on the stage; she was interviewed and photographed and described in her home and in her walks abroad in terms of encomium that must have made her throb, the critics are as full of praise of her as of admiration for her performance in the chief part. The New York American finds her to be "a comforting, healthy, white-souled lady." "Here," says the "New York World," "is a singer, every inch an actress, and as fascinating a little woman as has graced light opera. She has a rich soprano voice of much volume, uses it well, and prove in everything a splendid adjunct to the stage on Broadway. Miss Greene says the critic of the "New York Times," "is a young woman of charming personality, with abundant verve and go, and a freshing, piquant sauciness that makes her Catherine an everlasting delight. Her voice is a rich, clear, and well cultivated soprano, and she phrases delightfully. Miss Greene has a powerful and pleasant singing voice, writes another critic, which she uses with considerable skill. As the washerwoman who rose to nobility she gave an impersonation that was consistent and convincing, and was well endowed with the kindly humour and variable temper with which countless audiences have come to identify the part.

Finally it is recorded that at the end of the performance the enthusiastic admirers of Miss Greene recalled her half a dozen times, presented her with numberless bouquets, and one more inventive than the others sent on to the stage a canary in a cage—a subtle compliment to the melody of the young "prima donna's" notes. And the evening wound up with the inevitable speech from Mr. George Edwardes. Altogether, our leading impresario apparently, has reason to be thankful for the results of his first visit to the United States.

There is a depth of sincerity in the work of Mr. Alfred Sutro which leads all thinking playgoers to believe, or, at all events to hope, that they have in him the foundation of another Robertson. "Kind hearts are more than coronets, and simple faith than Norman blood." This is as much the motto of the author of the Walls of Jericho and A Maker of Men, as it was of the author of Caste and School. The spirit of domesticity and the essence of heart are at the back even of Mr. Sutro's most vivid condemnations of the "ways that are dark" and the "tricks that are vain" of a certain Society set, and it is just these things that make his play at the Garrick so powerful and so acceptable. And in its own different way, his little piece at the St. James's, A Maker of Men, which now precedes Lady Windermere's Fan, is quite as strong and impressive in its appeal to the heart of the audience.

I am told by those who know him best that Mr. Alfred Sutro is one of the kindliest of men, and that it is his habit, when he speaks of things that ought not to be, to follow up his censure almost immediately with some sort of excuse for the person or persons responsible for them. An earnest student of character, he recognises the light as well as the shade, the strength as well as the weakness of humanity and putting one consideration with another, "makes allowances." If this is plainly seen in converse with the man, it is unquestionably as apparent, in his writings for the stage. And yet there are people who have said what a bitter man he must be, to have written such a speech as that which he put into the mouth of Jack Frobisher in "The Walls of Jericho!" These are the people who do not think.

Played with a most sympathetic understanding of the author's meaning by Mr. Graham Browne and Miss Edyth Olive" A Maker of Men," though nothing more than a duologue, provides handsome compensation for the playgoer who sacrifices his coffee and cigarette, or the comfort he may imagine they bring to him, in order to be at the theatre at half-past eight. This is not mere pit and gallery playlet. It must appeal "to scale," as much to what are being called the electric brougham folk as to those who go down to the play in 'buses. The scene is the modestly furnished "living room" of a bank clerk, Cuthbert Farringdon, whose £300 a year is stretched with some ingenuity over the requirements of a wife, three sons, a landlord, the gas and water rates, and the usual amount of taxes that pursue a man as soon as it is known that he can afford, or thinks he can, to live in a respectable dwelling and indulge in the business necessity of a silk hat.

Cuthbert Farringdon is all impatience for the arrival of the postman, for he expects a letter which will tell him weather he is to remain a bank clerk on £300 a year, or to become a bank manager with £600 a year. The difference between the two states is tremendous. See what the larger salary will mean, it will mean that they can keep an extra servent or "someone to help with the children." It will mean that boys can be properly educated and the wife better dressed. It will mean that they can have three weeks at the sea without suffering for it a months before and three months after. A little supper now and then at a restaurant and an occasional visit to the theatre without the melancholy of the succeeding reflection that the money really ought to have gone in boots, or curtains, or a new blouse for Sundays; it will mean all that. But the appointment is for another (and as Cuthbert himself admits a brighter) man and the poor bank clerk with the rosy picture of an easier life fading with cruel swiftness from his mind's eye, is full of bitterness and despondency and self-condemnation.

The end is as it should be, and as it is to be hoped it sometimes is. Mrs. Farrington is not only contended with her lot, but she is proud and dignified, not humble and lisless, in her contentmnent. She sees no drudgery in her life—at all events she does not recognise it. She is confident that the boys will grow up into useful men, and she is full of hope for her own and her husband's future. Hers is a life supported by the love of those she loves, and the thought that money could improve it is repellant to her finer sense. Her cry to her husband towards the close of the duologue is forcible and full of a great meaning. "Am I to be pitied—I, a maker of men?" And Cuthbert, ashamed, creeps up to her side, and is himself content. The story (with the exception, perhaps, of its noble ending) is as common on the stage as the very chimney-pots. That is its beauty. It is behind the window curtains of a million houses of the £45 rental type. And let it, at all events, be hoped that those window curtains are kept in order by a fair percentage of Mrs. Farringdons.

The "March King," who ran up to London with his famous band on Sunday for "League" concerts at the Alhambra and the Queen's Hall, and was, of course, greeted with the usual enthusiasm, had an alarming experience at a provincial hotel during the early part of his very successful tour. Weary from the business of giving a couple of concerts largely composed of encores, Sousa retired to bed at a pretty early hour for a man with night work to do, being so determined to get a good sleep that he even left untouched the sandwiches which, in obedience to his customary request, had been placed on a table in his bed-room. In the dead of night he was awakened by what seemed to be the sound of a plate being pushed about among the glass and cutlery on his small supper table. He sat up and looked around, but seeing nothing in the dim light of the lowered gas, and concluding that he had been dreaming, hastily south the warm valley of his pillow again—for it was a bitter night—and slept soundly until morning.

Lor', sir, what a mess the room's in!" cried the man who brought a Sousa's hot water in at nine o'clock. The March King turned over and looked at the room. It was soiled nearly everywhere with black footmarks. They were on the floor, the table the toilet stand, and the chairs—most particularly the chair upon which Sousa had put his shirt and other underwear. "And it's all over the plate!" said the man with the hot water. And it was. Moreover, the sandwiches had entirely disappeared, and so had the fruit, which had been placed at the side of them. Putting on his dressing-gown and slippers, Sousa helped the man in his search about the room for what they expected would turn out to be a hidden tramp or something bygienic like that and it was not very long before the sharp, black eyes of the bronzed musician discoverd that the footmarks seemed to have come from and disappeared to the great old-fashioned "chimney corner." He's up that chimney and he won't be when we have burnt a little paper this end of it, grimly observed Sousa, and the smoke from the flaring torch of the morning news soon had the desired effect.

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE City Line steamer City of Vienna, 2,979 tons, Captain D Morrison, will sail yesterday for Karachi, with a general cargo.

THE Wilson Line steamer Dido, 3127 tons, Captain G C Pickering, arrived in harbour to-day from Hull 29th January with a general cargo and 11 horses.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Kola, 498 tons, Captain H McDiarmed, arrived in harbour yesterday from Karachi, with a general cargo and 50 deck passengers.

THE Hansa Line steamer Schoenfels, 3,708 tons, Captain Denker, will sail to-day for Hamburg and Bremen via Karachi, with a general cargo and Mr Trefflick as a passenger.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Umta, 3,492 tons, Captain D F Lee, arrived in harbour yesterday from Rangoon 8th February via coast ports, with a general cargo and 50 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Linga, 943 tons Captain R J Rickford, will sail to-day for the Persian Gulf via Karachi with a general cargo, M Marshall Reid C I E, Hon Mr and Mrs Hughes, 21 Natives and 128 deck passengers.

ARRIVALS.

Mar.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
2	Pickering s.....	Pickering ...	Hull Jan 29
	Kola s	McDiarmed .	Karachi Feb 27
	Umta s	Lee.....	Rangoon

DEPARTURES.

Mar.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
2	Glinelg s	Hart	Kobe
	Okhla s.....	Babb	Rangoon
	Clan Mackenzie s .	Whitman....	Kobe
	Ardito s	Haratta.....	Calcutta
	J B Aug Kessler s.	Biesen	Karachi
	Falgate s.....	Cheshire	Calcutta.

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday.
Steamer Schoenfels, Denker for Hamburg &c
" Linga, Rickford for Persian Gulf &c
" City of Vienna, Morrison for Karachi

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday.
Steamer Dido for Hull via Karachi
" Langdale for Antwerp &c
" China for Trieste &c

MADRAS.
ARRIVALS.

Feb.	Vessel.	From
27	Mombassa.....	Calcutta
28	Clan Macfadyen	Galle

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P and O S N Co's s s Palermo arrived in London on the morning of the 1st instant.

The B I S N Co's s s Golconda left Port Said on the afternoon of 1st instant.

The B I S N Co's s s Mattina left Marseilles homewards on the morning of the 1st instant.

ADEN, MARCH 1

The P and O Co's s s Persia with the homeward mails of the 25th ultimo arrived here at 5-30 p m on Wednesday.

SUEZ, MARCH 2.

The P and O C.'s s s Moldavia with the outward mails of the 24th ultimo left here at 7 a m on Thursday.

The Austrian Lloyd's ss Moravia, from Trieste, left Karachi for Bombay on the afternoon of the 1st instant and is due here on the 3rd instant about 7 p m.

DAILY EXPORTS.—MARCH 2.

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China s—112 bales cotton Ralli Bros

FOR VENICE.
F Artelli s—200 cwts rapeseed Ralli Bros; 6 cwts bees wax and 100 cwts olibanum M J Joomabhoy and Co

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Simla s—5 cases ghee M Jooma; 5 cwts aloes 22 cwts Kadoo P F Talati; 15 cwts copiate Dewjee Nathu; 12 cwts kurroo 11 cwts almand seed; 21 cwts senna leaves, R. Jeevandas 37 cwts sharkfins M J Joomabhoy and Co; 600 bales twist C Ebrahim and Co

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Bombay, March 3, 1905.

1 It is notified for information that the Annual Camp will open at Santa Cruz on the morning of Thursday the 9th March and will conclude with the annual inspection by the General Officer Commanding on the morning of Monday the 20th March.

2 Arrangements are being made to hold Point to Point Races at Santa Cruz on the afternoon of Tuesday the 21st of March.

By Order,
F. A. REDDIE, Lieut,
Acting Adjt. B. L. H.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS, BY LT.-COL. LOUIS P. RUSSELL, COMMANDING B. V. A,
Bombay, March 3, 1905.

1 No 1 Company will parade at 9 p m (to day) Friday at Colaba North Fort for 6th B L Gun Drill.

2 The Gatacre Cup Complete will take place on Saturday the 4th instant (to-morrow) as under:—

No 1 Company—4-30 p m parade at Colaba North Fort at 4-30 p m (Sharp).

No 2 Company at 9 a m—Parade at Colaba North Fort at 8-30 a m (Sharp).

No 3 Co pany at 7-30 a m—Parade at Colaba North Fort at 7-15 a m.

3 Match 1, B V A, C A, will be fired for on the 5th inst, at Santa Cruz Ranges 200 and 600 yds. Members who have entered are requested to attend.

Targets will be reserved for Class firing.

Members who have not fired their Class are requested to do so. Extra matches have been arranged for and will be fired for, at the same time as class firing.

By Order
A. STIFFE, Capt. R. A,
Adjt. B. V A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. E. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D, COMMANDING,
Bombay, March 3, 1905.

1 The 113th Bombay Infantry Rifle Range at Santa Cruz will be available for Class Firing daily until further orders.

Members are earnestly requested to complete their Class Firing as soon as possible.

2 Photos of Officers and Sergeants having been received from Messrs Bourne and Shepherd and can be seen at Head-Quarters.

By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain,
Adjutant R. V. R.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(The "Bombay Government Gazette," March 2).

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

H E the Govr in Council is pleased to make the following subs antive pro tem appointments vice Mr C N Seddon, I C S, on deputation—Major A G Carnegy to be Fourth Grade Political Agent Capt R S Pottinger to be First Grade Assist Political Agent Capt T A F R Oldfield to be Second Grade Assist Political Agent Lieut A H E Mosse to be Third Grade Assist Political Agent

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

The Govr in Council is pleased, under the provisions of section 3 (1) of the Mamlatdars' Courts Act, 1876, to specially authorize Azam Laxman Bagaji Goge, Mahalkari, potha Parcels in the district of Khandesh, to exercise the powers of a Mamlatdar under the said Act.

The resignation by Mr Bhaishankar Nanabhai of the post of Honorary Presidency Magistrate, Bombay, to which he was appointed by Govt Notification No 4375, dated the 19th August 1904, has been accepted by H E the Govr in Council.

The Govr in Council is pleased to invest Mr Balwantrai Chaudulal, Mamlatdar, taluka Godhra, and Magistrate of the Second Class in the district of Panch Mahals, with power to try cases under the Opium A t I of 1878.

The Govr in Council is pleased to make the following transfers of Second Class Subordinate Judges—Mr Ramchandra Balkrishna Chitale, Subordinate Judge, Dholka Mr Lakshman Krishnaji Nulkar, Subordinate Judge, Dholka, to be Subordinate Judge, Junnar. Mr Nilkanth Krishna Bapat, Subordinate Judge, Junnar, to be Subordinate Judge, Talegaon and Sasvad Mr Ganesh Vinayak Patwardhan, Subordinate Judge, Talegaon and Sasvad, to be Subordinate Judge, Yaval.

H E in Council is further pleased, under section 28 of the Bombay Civil Courts Act, 1869, as amended by section 6 of Bombay Act I of 1900, to invest the undermentioned Second Class Subordinate Judges, within the local limits of the ordinary jurisdiction of the Courts specified against their names, as now fixed or as hereafter altered by any notification for the time being in force under section 21A of the former Act, with the jurisdiction of a Judge of a Court of Small Causes for the trial of suits cognizable by such Courts up to the amounts specified against their names—Mr Ramchandra Balkrishna Chitale, Second Class Subordinate Judge's Court, Dholka Rs 200; Mr Ganesh Vinayak Patwardhan, Second Class Subordinate Judge's Court, Yaval Rs. 150

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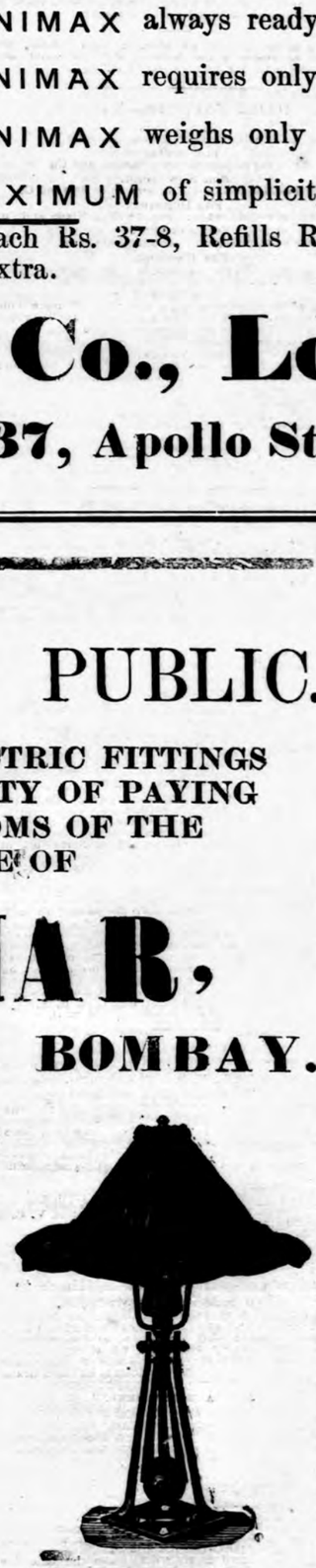

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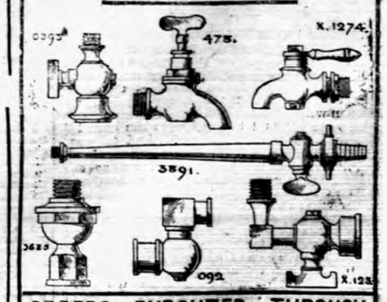

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